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# "Best Quality"

ESTABLISHED  
47 YEARS

## SEED FOR 1917



### Tall Nasturtiums

- 550 Butterfly
- 551 Dark Crimson
- 552 Midnight
- 553 Rose
- 554 Mixed

Each 5c per pkt.  
Description page 37

### Pansies

- 560 Quadricolored
- 561 Snow White
- 562 Pure Yellow
- 563 Mixed

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**Terms Cash with Order.** Money can be sent either by Post Office Money Order, Registered Mail, Express Money Order or Bank Draft. Either of these methods are perfectly safe. You may send 1c. or 2c. postage stamps for amounts less than one dollar.

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**We make no charge** for packing cases, baskets, barrels or sacks.

**We guarantee safe arrival** of seeds, whether sent by express, freight or mail.

**Cultural Directions.** We issue **Special Leaflets on Culture**, giving concise directions, How, When and Where to Plant and cover, which will be mailed Free with your orders if asked for. These Special Leaflets are as follows: Asparagus, Cabbage and Cauliflower, Celery, Cucumbers under Glass, Lettuce in the Open and under Glass, Onions, Tomatoes, Asters, Pansies, Sweet Peas and Annuals from Seed.

**If our seeds are not as represented**, we will refill your order free of charge, or return your money; but it must be understood that we do not guarantee the crop under any circumstances. There are contingencies continually arising to prevent the very best seeds always giving satisfaction, such as sowing too deep, too shallow and in too wet or too dry soil, wet weather, cold weather, frosts, etc. For all these reasons it is impossible to guarantee the crop. Our **Seeds are all tested** and none sent out except those **known to be good.**

**Market Gardeners, Truck Farmers, Farmers' Clubs and Institutions**, desiring to purchase seeds in large quantities should write for our Wholesale Catalogue.



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Catalogue  
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VEGETABLE SEED

Order Flower Seed Below by Number Only.

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Catalogue  
Number

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Quantity

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Number

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The Crop You Grow

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On The Seed You Sow

Improve The Quality

Increase The Yield

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ROBINSON'S

"Best Quality" Seed

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# \$1 OUR BIG DOLLAR COLLECTION of "Best Quality" Vegetable Seed \$1

**BEST ASSORTMENT EVER OFFERED, AS FOLLOWS:**

Beans—Dwarf, Robinson's Improved Red Valentine.  
 Beans—Dwarf, Currie's Rust Proof Wax.  
 Beans—Dwarf, Burpee's Improved Bush Lima.  
 Beet—Crosby's Egyptian. Very early and very good.  
 Beet—Detroit Dark Red. Early, smooth, round, sweet.  
 Cabbage—Early Jersey Wakefield. The most popular.  
 Cabbage—Robinson's Genuine Surehead. Sure to head.  
 Carrot—True Danver's Half Long. A great favorite.  
 Cucumber—Robinson's Sure Green.  
 Cucumber—Cumberland Pickling. Fine pickling variety.  
 Sweet Corn—Stowell's Evergreen. Very popular.  
 Lettuce—Big Boston. Tender. Large-headed sort.  
 Lettuce—Grand Rapids. Best curled lettuce.  
 Lettuce—Iceberg. Always crisp and tender.  
 Watermelon—Tom Watson. Very fine.  
 Musk Melon—Knight. Green flesh. Delicious.  
 Musk Melon—New Fordhook. Salmon flesh. Fine.  
 Onion—Yellow Globe Danvers. A fine strain.

Onion—White Portugal, or Silverskin. Flat, mild flavor.  
 Pepper—Ruby King. Very mild and sweet.  
 Parsnip—Hollow Crown. Standard variety.  
 Parsley—Finest Double Curled. Dwarf; crimped leaves.  
 Peas—Alaska. Early. Fine strain.  
 Peas—Gradus. Early; of fine quality.  
 Radish—Robinson's Earliest Scarlet Button. Earliest of all.  
 Radish—Scarlet Olive Shaped. Quite early; very crisp.  
 Radish—New White Icicle. Finest early long white.  
 Squash—White "Patty Pan" or Early White Bush, Scalloped.  
 Squash—True Hubbard. Fine for winter use.  
 Salsify or Oyster Plant—Long White. Standard variety.  
 Spinach—New Victoria. Long standing. Broad, thick leaves.  
 Tomato—Chalk's Early Jewel. Fine. Early. Bright scarlet.  
 Tomato—Stone. Bright Red. Main crop variety.  
 Turnip—Purple Top White Globe. One of the best.

Also your choice of one ounce, either Choice Mixed Sweet Peas, or Choice Mixed Tall Nasturtiums.

## 35—Full-Sized Packets "Best Quality" Seed for Only One Dollar—35

When you Order Simply Write for Our "Big Dollar Collection."

We sell this collection at such a low price, so as to give new customers an opportunity to try a large assortment of "Best Quality" Seeds at a moderate cost. We put up these seeds in the spring, before the rush begins, and get them ready, so when we receive your order all that is necessary is to address the package, affix the stamps, and away it goes, and you receive it by return mail.

Please do not ask us for any discount in connection with this dollar collection, the price is positively net. No changes can be allowed, the seeds are packed ahead of time, and the collection must be accepted as it is.

## 25c.—Vegetable Seed Collection—25c.

8 Full-Sized Packets "Best Quality" seeds for Only 25c.

Cabbage—Early Jersey Wakefield. The most popular.  
 Cucumber—Improved Arlington White Spine. Very fine.  
 Lettuce—Iceberg. Always crisp and tender.  
 Watermelon—Kleckley's Sweets. Very fine.  
 Musk Melon—Knight. Green flesh. Delicious.

Parsley—Finest Double Curled. Dwarf; crimped leaves.  
 Squash—White Patty Pan or Early White Bush, Scalloped.  
 Tomato—Stone. Bright red. Main crop variety.

When ordering write for "25c. Vegetable Seed Collection." No change can be made in this collection.

## 25c.—Flower Seed Collection—25c.

8 Full-Sized Packets "Best Quality" Flower Seeds for Only 25c.

Sweet Alyssum—Well known favorite white.  
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 Cosmos—Finest Mixed. Annual of quick growth.  
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Marigold—African Double. Mixed. Free bloomer.  
 Nasturtiums—Tall. Choice Mixed.  
 Nasturtiums—Dwarf. Superb Mixed.  
 Sweet Peas—Choice Mixed.

When ordering write for "25c. Flower Seed Collection." No change can be made in this collection.

**ALL THESE COLLECTIONS ARE DELIVERED TO YOU BY MAIL. WE PAY THE POSTAGE.**



## “Best Quality” Seed

TO OUR FRIENDS, OUR CUSTOMERS:

There is every indication of another prosperous year for 1917. The demand for produce will exceed that of any previous year, and the labor problem will very much handicap the acreage planted, which will decrease the production and increase the price. It is a well known fact that Demand and Supply regulate the price in all instances.

It is hardly probable that there will be over production under the present conditions. Our advice to you is plant heavy and reap the reward.

We cannot impress upon you too strongly the importance of planting “BEST QUALITY” Seed, and you should bear in mind that “The Crop You Grow, Depends On The Seed You Sow”. It costs big money to produce good seed, and a poor grade of seed is very costly at any price. We give special care to the growing of all our seed, with an aim to produce the best at any cost, and we are confident, when you purchase seed of us, you have bought the best possible to produce.

We have furnished the trade with seed for the past forty seven years, and have a reputation in the seed business equalled by none. Your continued patronage and many new customers each year, has made our seed business grow by leaps and bounds.

You who live many miles away, when you come to Baltimore, come to see us, meet the men with whom you have been dealing these many years through the mails, we would appreciate meeting you and knowing you personally.

Now that the New Year is before you, Resolve to make 1917 a record breaker, the biggest of all years, a record for both crops and prices. Exert every effort, produce the crop, put it on the market in good shape, and conditions promise big returns.

Faithfully yours,

C. N. ROBINSON & BRO.

### BALTIMORE'S BEST AND MOST RELIABLE SEED HOUSE

#### Asparagus

The Asparagus bed requires but little care, and is a delicious vegetable.

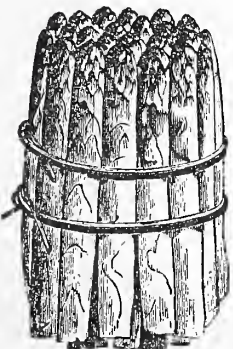
One ounce of seed will sow 60 feet of drill. About 400 plants to the ounce.

Special Cultural Directions free with your order if you request it.

2. **Barr's Mammoth.** The stalks are very large, sometimes nearly an inch in diameter, with few scales. Very tender and quick growing. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 70c.

3. **Columbian Mammoth White.** This strain produces large stalks, which are white, and remain so as long as fit for use. Needs no earthing up. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 70c.

5. **Conover's Colossal.** The old standard original variety. A large and rapid grower of excellent quality. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 70c.



BARR'S MAMMOTH

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## Beans

### Bush Beans—Green-Podded Varieties

No crop responds more readily to good soil and cultivation; and a light, rich, well drained loam which was manured for the previous crop is most desirable. If too rank manure is used it is apt to make the plant run too much to vine. Beans are very sensitive to both cold and wet and it is useless to plant them before the ground has become dry and warm. The largest returns will result from planting in drills from two to three feet apart and leaving the plants two to six inches apart in the row. Up to the time of blossoming they should have frequent shallow cultivation, but any mutilation of the roots by cultivation after the plants come into bloom is likely to cause the blossoms to blast and so cut off the crop. The cultivation of beans should always be very shallow and it is useless to expect a crop from a field so poorly prepared as to need deep stirring after planting.

Varieties should be selected so as to give a succession both of string and green shelled beans.

**7. Burpee's Stringless Green-Pod.** This famous bean is unequaled. It combines unusual hardiness, extreme earliness, and wonderful productiveness with pods of handsome appearance and finest quality. Extra early plantings may be made to produce the earliest crop, and even with the late plantings Burpee's "Stringless" is the quickest to produce pods. By repeated plantings may be had in constant succession from spring until cut off by heavy frosts in the fall. Combined with extra hardiness and early maturity, the pods are the finest in quality, of a rich green, very round, five inches long, solidly meated,

deeply saddle-backed. The pods are tender, brittle, and of finest flavor, always **entirely stringless**, even when fully matured. Our stock is direct from the originators. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 45c.. By express or freight: pint 45c., quart 75c.

**8. Robinson's Improved Extra Early Red Valentine.** In this improved strain the pods are very fleshy, round and long with only slight strings. Bushes grow uniformly about 15 inches in height, and produce a large crop. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 35c. By express or freight: pint 45c., quart 75c.

**9. Black Valentine.** Matures early, producing long, round, straight pods, which are tender when quite young. Very vigorous grower, making a handsome bean. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express or freight: pint 45c., quart 75c.

**10. Improved Refugee, or 1000 to 1.** Our strain is extra fine. True bush growth, 15 inches in height, branching freely. The pods are nearly round, light green, five inches long, tapered to a slender point, fleshy, brittle and mild in flavor, but with slight strings. Rather later than the other green-podded sort, but extremely prolific. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 45c. By express or freight: pint 45c., quart 75c.

### Varieties for Shell Beans

These are grown exclusively to use as Shell Beans, either green or dried for winter.

**12. Dwarf Horticultural.** Pods are of medium length, slightly curved, and when nearly developed are freely splashed with bright red on the yellow skin. The green beans are of good size, tender and of fine flavor. Any surplus beans not needed for use during the summer make excellent soup or baking beans for winter. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 45c. By express or freight: pint 45c., quart 75c.

Bush Beans continued on next page.



Burpee's Stringless Green-Pod

Mrs. E. Hardie, of Hackensack, N. J., writes December 1, 1916:

"I purchased my seed from you last season and can gladly recommend your seed to my friends, as I had a bountiful yield of produce, and expect to send you another order for next season as soon as I begin gardening."

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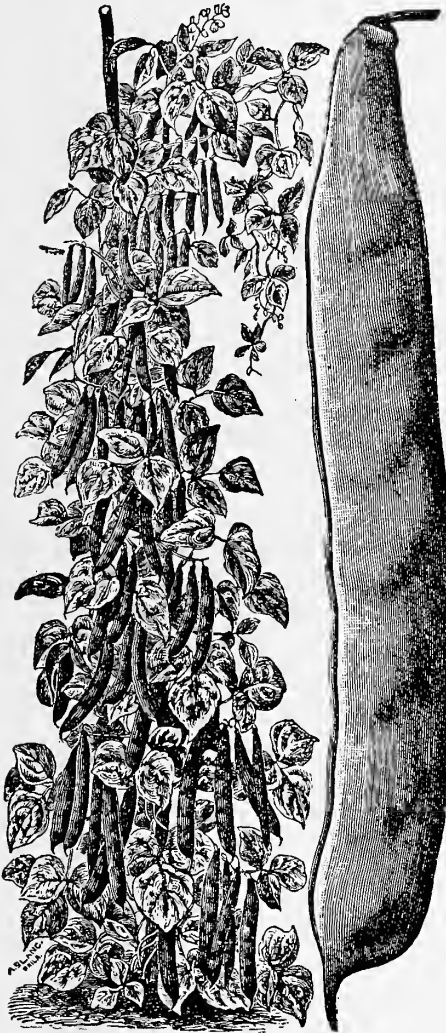
## Waxed-Podded Bush Beans

Our strains of beans are exceptionally fine and you can buy them with the assurance that they will come uniformly true to type. The fields are carefully rogued each year and the seed is all hand picked, so that we offer nothing but first-class stock in every particular.

Packets of beans put up to sell at 5c., postpaid, contain too small a quantity. We, therefore, put up liberal sized packets at ten cents.

**16. Currie's Rust-Proof Wax..** Pods straight, rather flat, five inches in length, and of light golden yellow; seed black. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 45c. By express or freight: pint 50c., quart 85c.

**17. Wardwell's Kidney Wax.** Strong upright bush growth, fifteen inches in height; very productive. Pods straight, flat, five inches in length; of rich golden yellow. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 45c. By express or freight: pint 50c., quart 85c.



Lazy Wife's Pole Bean

**18. Hodson Wax.** The plants are of vigorous growth and very productive. Pods are flat, six to seven inches long, and of a creamy white color. The pods are late in maturing and are unusually free from blight and rust. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 45c. By express or freight: pint 50c., quart 85c.

### Beans—Pole or Running

Pole Beans are even more sensitive to cold and wet, as well as to droughts and hot winds, than the dwarf varieties, but are of superior quality and productiveness. After settled warm weather, set poles four to eight feet long in rows four feet apart and extending north and south, the poles being three feet apart in the row. Let the poles slant slightly towards the north. Set in this way the vines climb better, and the pods are straighter and more easily seen. Around each stake plant five to eight beans two inches deep. When well started thin to four plants, and see that they all climb around the pole in the same way, for they will not grow if tied up in the opposite direction.

**23. Lazy Wife's.** The pods, of medium dark green color, are produced in great abundance, and measure from four and a half to six inches in length. They are broad and thick, fleshy and entirely stringless. The pods retain their rich, tender and stringless qualities until nearly ripe, and at all stages are peculiarly luscious.. Each pod contains from six to eight round white beans, which make excellent winter shell beans. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 45c. By express or freight: pint 45c., quart 75c.

### Satisfied Customers—Best Advertisement

Mrs. E. H. Cox, of Holyoke, Mass., writes December 1, 1916:

"I have always found your seed to be very reliable. Two years ago I had a yield of 52 bushels of salable potatoes on one-quarter of an acre from your Crown Jewel Seed, and last Spring I bought grass seed from you after trying in vain to get a stand on a newly filled lot. This August the lawn in front of my house was a picture and created considerable comment from my neighbors."

Mrs. Wm. Robie, of Pomfret, Md., writes under date of December 16th, 1916:

The garden seed I purchased from you last Spring proved entirely satisfactory and true to the description in your catalogue. I expect to send you an order this Spring".

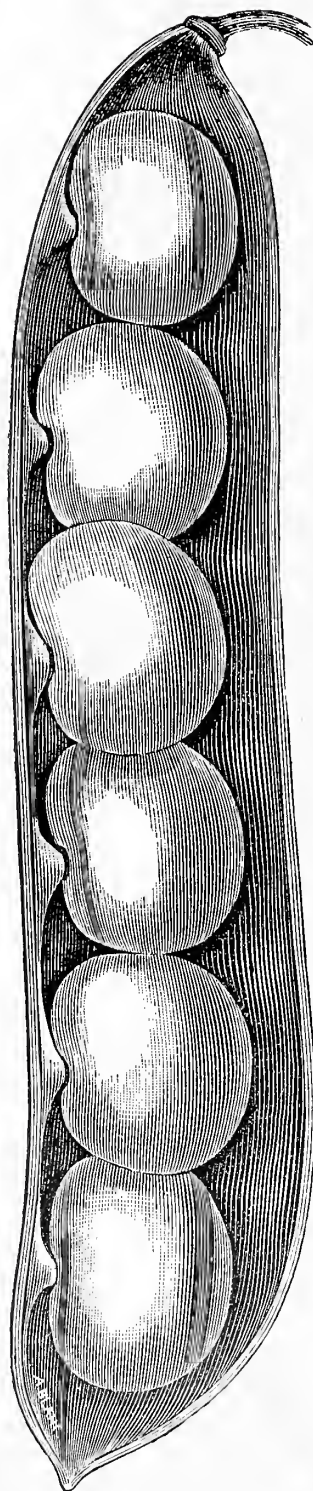
Mrs. Wm. H. Garrettson, of Charlestown, Md., writes December 10, 1916:

"The vegetable seed I purchased of you last season were all that you claim, and I will certainly buy my seed from you in the future."

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## Lima Beans

### Lima Beans (Dwarf or Bush)



King of the Garden

25. **Burpee's Improved Bush Lima.** This has uniformly larger pods than Burpee's Bush Lima, while the pods contain more Beans which are thicker and remain green even in the dry stage. The plants are very prolific, bearing pods in clusters of from 5 to 7. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 35c. By express or freight, pt. 40c. qt. 65c.

26. **Burpee's Bush Lima.** The bushes grow eighteen to twenty inches high, of stout growth and always erect, yet branching so vigorously that each plant develops into a magnificent circular bush from two to three feet in diameter. It is an immense yielder, the handsome, large pods being well filled with very large beans, identical in size and luscious flavor with the well known large Pole Limas. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 35c. By express or freight: pt. 30c. qt. 60c.

27. **Wood's Prolific, or Improved Henderson Bush Lima.** This is the very early Sieva or Butter bean of the South. The pods are ready for use a week earlier than those of Burpee's Bush Lima, and the plants are immensely productive. When gathered young, the beans are of excellent flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 35c. By express or freight: pt. 30c., qt. 60c.

28. **Fordhook Bush Lima.** The only stiffly erect bush form of the popular "Potato" Lima. Both pods and beans are twice the size of Kumerle or Dreer's Bush Lima, and more than half again as large as the Challenger Pole Lima. It branches freely but with all the branches held upright. The pods are borne in clusters of from four to eight. The pods resemble those of the Kumerle (Dreer's) Bush Lima, but average more than double the size. It is fully thirty-three and one-third per cent. a heavier cropper, and therefore, is bound to entirely displace the Kumerle (Dreer's or Thorburn's) Bush Lima. In season it is from four to six days earlier. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 35c. By express or freight: pt. 40c., qt. 65c.

### Large Seeded Pole Lima Beans

32. **King of the Garden.** A strong grower and uniformly large podded. The pods frequently contain five to six very large beans. These beans are of excellent quality, easily shelled, of large size and handsome appearance. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 35c. By express or freight: pt. 30c., qt. 50c.

Mr. John E. Felker, of South Bethlehem, Pa., Route 1, writes December 5, 1916:

"I feel that I must advise you of the great success I had with the seed bought of you last spring. The Southport White Globe Onion seed from one-quarter pound I got 12 bushels, even though they were struck with blight.

"The 1 bushel of Pedigree Extra Early Peas gave me over 50 bushels and five days earlier than my neighbor, who has been in the business 20 years or more; I being only an amateur. Kindly send me your catalogue as soon as it is out, and I will forward you my order for next season."

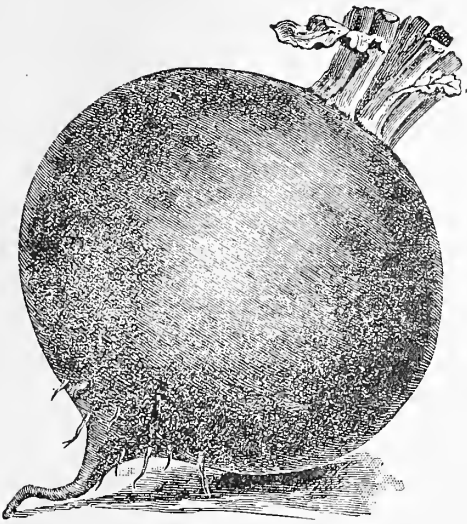
Mr. R. E. Grocedose, of Crocketts, Va., Route 1, writes December 5, 1916:

"I am glad to write you that the seed I bought of you were fine. They came up well and produced excellent results and I expect to plant more of your seed next season.

"I have moved from Kimball, W. Va., to Crocketts, Va., a much better country for trucking and farming, so please place my name on your mailing list for one of your 1917 Seed Catalogues."



## Garden Beets



Eclipse

34. **Extra Early Flat Egyptian.** Grows extra quickly, producing flat, smooth turnip roots averaging two inches in diameter. Per pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00, postpaid.

35. **Crosby's Egyptian.** Roots are smooth and round in form, of extra early maturity. Per pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00, postpaid.

36. **Detroit Dark Red.** Form globular or ovoid, smooth roots, with small tops; skin blood red; flesh dark red, zoned with a lighter shade, tender and sweet. Per pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50, postpaid.

37. **Edmand's Early Turnip.** The beets are of round form, very smooth, extra early and of good marketable size, color blood red; very sweet. Per pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00, postpaid.

38. **Eclipse.** Extra early, round, smooth, blood red roots. Popular both for market and the home garden. Per pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00, postpaid.

## Sugar Beets

46. **Giant Half-Sugar White.** Yield nearly as much per acre as Mangel Wurzels, and the roots are of much higher nutritive value. The upper portion is of a soft bright pink, shading lighter toward the bottom, while the lower portion for about one-third the length is white. The flesh is pure white, firm, crisp and very sweet. Highly recommended as a most excellent and profitable root to grow for stock feeding. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c., lb. 60c., postpaid.

## Mangel-Wurzels,—for Stock Feeding

Six Pounds sow one acre.

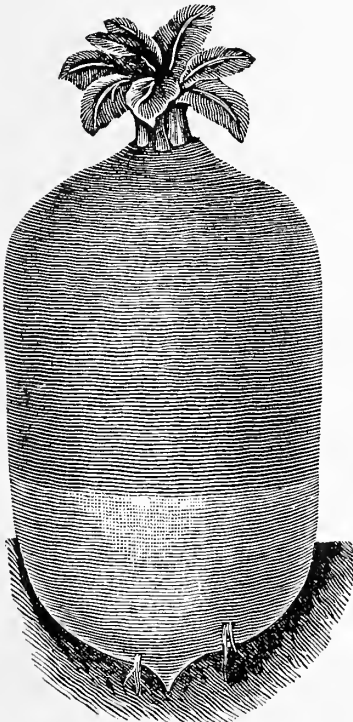
48. **Golden Tankard.** Flesh rich golden yellow; the roots are of large diameter and grow well above the soil, making it easy to harvest. It yields an enormous bulk on good land, and can be grown closely in rows. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c., lb. 60c., postpaid.

49. **Mammoth Long Red.** The heaviest cropping and largest of all mangels. The roots grow from one-half to two-thirds above the soil and are frequently two or more feet in length by six inches in diameter. Dark, rich colored foliage; skin brilliant dark red; flesh white with veined rings of rose pink. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c., lb. 60c., postpaid.

## Brussels Sprouts

A species of the cabbage family, which produces heads from the sides of the stalk. Highly esteemed for boiling during the late fall and winter months.

52. **Long Island Improved.** The finest strain grown on Long Island for the New York market. We offer Long Island grown seed. Pkt. 10c., oz. 40c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00, lb. \$3.50, postpaid.



Golden Tankard

Mr. Michael Bieber, of Peoria, Ill., Route 3, writes December 3, 1916:

"The seed I bought of you were first-class and germinated well. I was more than delighted with white Silver Skin Onion seed. Never had a better stand and thank you for sending me such good seed."

Mrs. N. E. Lowe, of Buckhannon, W. Va., Route 4, writes December 1, 1916:

"I take great pleasure in writing you that the vegetable seed I ordered from you last season were of the finest quality and exactly as represented."

## Cabbage Seed

One ounce produces 2,500 plants;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. to 1 acre.

Special Cultural Directions free with your order if you request it.

Our Cabbage Seed will produce for you the most pleasing results, having been selected with exceptional care from the very best stock. We assure you it is impossible to get better seed.

For early supply, seed may be sown in September and the plants wintered in cold frames, or sow seeds in hotbeds or cold frames early in the spring.

### Early Cabbages—Pointed or Oblong-Headed Varieties

54. **Extra Early Express.** The earliest heading cabbage in cultivation. It produces pointed, hard heads of good size, which are ready a week earlier than those of the Jersey Wakefield. Pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 90c., lb. \$3.00, postpaid.

55. **Early Jersey Wakefield.** The very best early oblong headed Cabbage. Pyramidal in shape, generally pointed at the end, very solid, fine texture and sweet, with but few outside leaves. The sort mostly used for wintering over in cold frames. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50, postpaid.

56. **Large Wakefield, or Charleston.** A selection from Early Jersey Wakefield, while they grow half again as large, of equal solidity, reaching full size about ten days later. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50, postpaid.

### Early Flat and "Round Head" Varieties

57. **Copenhagen Market.** A splendid new extra-early round-headed sort which matures as early as the Wakefields and is of much larger size. Each plant forms a perfect, tightly folded head, averaging five to eight pounds in weight and about eight inches in diameter each way. The compact growth of plant, the solidity of the head, its excellent flavor and extreme earliness—all combine to make Copenhagen Market one of the most meritorious Cabbages that have come to our notice in a decade. Pkt. 10c., oz. 35c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.25, lb. \$4.00, postpaid.

58. **Succession.** A popular second early sort. Large, uniform heads. It is of an attractive light green color and an excellent keeper. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50, postpaid.

59. **Early Summer.** Large, solid, round, flattened, compact heads of excellent quality. It has short, outer leaves, adapting it for close planting. Pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 90c., lb. \$3.00, postpaid.

60. **Burpee's Allhead-Early.** The Earliest Large Cabbage in Existence. The deep, flat heads are remarkably uniform in shape, size and color. It is suitable for growth in spring and early summer, or for use as a winter sort. The compact habit of growth renders close planting feasible, and it is adaptable to a wide range of both soil and climate. It is considerably larger than any other early summer cabbage that is equally as early. Pkt. 5c., oz. 35c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.25, lb. \$4.00, postpaid.

61. **All Seasons.** The heads are extremely hard and solid, round, flattened on top. It is called "All Seasons" because it is good for autumn or winter as for early summer. Pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 90c., lb. \$3.00, postpaid.

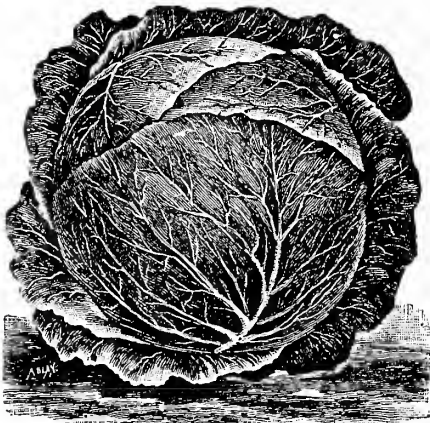
62. **Early Dwarf Flat Dutch.** A well-known excellent second early variety, producing fine, large heads. Highly valued for its fine quality and ability to resist heat. Heads solid, broad, round, flattened on top. Pkt. 5c., oz. 35c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.25, lb. \$4.00, postpaid.

### Late or Winter Varieties of Cabbage

63. **Robinson's Genuine Surehead Cabbage.** All head and always sure to head. It produces large, round, flattened heads, of the Flat Dutch type, and is remarkable for its certainty to head. It is a good keeper and shipper. Very sweet flavored, and has but few loose leaves. Strong, vigorous and very uniform. Pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 90c., lb. \$3.00, postpaid.



Early Jersey Wakefield



Robinson's Surehead Cabbage



Burpee's All Head Early

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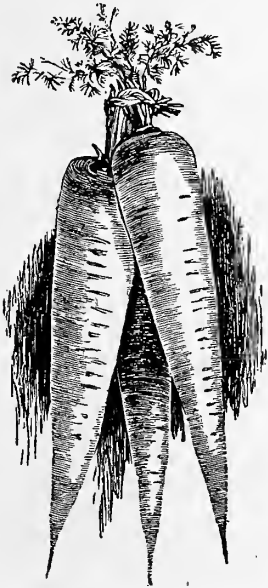


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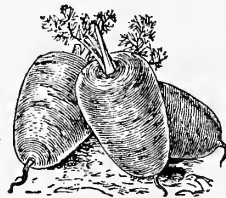
66. **Premium Late Flat Dutch.** Largely grown for main crop; a favorite for winter market. Pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 90c., lb. \$3.00.

68. **Autumn King or World-Beater.** One of the finest strains of late cabbage. It produces regular even heads of enormous size; a great cropper with few outside leaves. Requires a longer season for growth than do the smaller varieties. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50, postpaid.

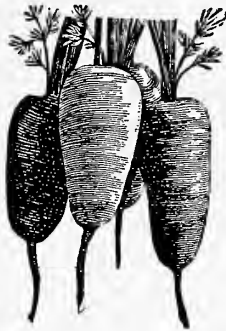
69. **Perfection Drumhead Savoy.** The hardest heading and best all round savoy. Plants are of strong growth, having only a moderate number of outer leaves growing closely about the large solid round heads. Heads beautifully blanching and of the finest flavor. Pkt. 5c., oz. 35c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.25, lb. \$4.00, postpaid.



Improved Long Orange



Oxheart



Chantenay

## Red Cabbage

71. **Mammoth Red.** Largest heading of all deep red varieties. Highly recommended. Pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 90c., lb. \$3.00, postpaid.

## Garden Carrots

1 oz. to 150 ft. of drill; 4 lbs. to the acre.

Our stocks are true to type, grown from selected transplanted roots, and will be found far superior to the cheaper California-grown seed.

75. **Chantenay, or Model.** One of the finest in quality for the table. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$1.75, postpaid.

76. **Oxheart, or Guernade.** Early short, thick and of splendid quality. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$1.75, postpaid.

77. **True Danver's Half-Long.** The best for general crop. Will yield the most per acre. Dark orange, stump-rooted. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$1.75, postpaid.

78. **Improved Long Orange.** Well known standard sort, good keeper. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$1.75, postpaid.

## Carrots for Stock Feeding

As a food for stock, Carrots are surpassed by few root crops. These larger varieties produce larger crops and are relished by all kinds of stock. They are especially valuable when fed to dairy cows, producing an increased flow of rich milk and imparting a beautiful golden yellow to the butter.

Like all other root crops, it flourishes best in well enriched sandy soil, deeply tilled, and if plowed the fall before, so much the better.

79. **Improved Short White.** The best and most productive, from six to eight inches in length; thick at the shoulder and tapers rather quickly. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.25, postpaid.

## Read These Letters

Mr. Robt. H. Hawes, of Clifton Sta., Va., Route 1, writes December 4, 1916:

"The cabbage and tomato seed I bought of you last season produced the best vegetables I have ever raised, and will send you an order for seed next season."

Mrs. Abe Beltz, of Indianola, Iowa, R. F. D., writes November 30, 1916:

"I bought my seed of you last year and was very much pleased with them. I believe every seed grew and will send you my order for the coming season."

Mrs. Fannie L. Lloyd, of New Market, Md., writes December 1, 1916:

"I have been using your seed for about five years and would not do without them. I find I get better results when using your seed than the seed gotten from other seed houses."

Miss J. R. Kyne, of Elkridge, Md., writes November 30, 1916:

"The seed I purchased of you during the past season were of the highest quality and entirely satisfactory in results."

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## Cauliflower

One ounce will produce about 1,500 to 2,000 plants and sow about 40 square feet.

Special Cultural Directions Free with your order if you request it.

You can absolutely depend upon the seed listed below as being the very best obtainable.

The culture of Cauliflowers is similar to Cabbage, but should be more thorough and the ground made very rich. Cauliflowers delight in a rich, moist soil, and in dry seasons should be abundantly watered, especially when heading.

**82. Robinson's Best Early Cauliflower.** The finest, handsomest and earliest quick-growing Cauliflower. It is a sure header and remarkable for its extreme earliness. The erect pointed, dark green leaves grow closely about the head, and the plants are of strong growth. The heads are of large size, pure, snowy white, with very close, compact curd of extra fine quality. Pkt. 25c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 85c., oz. \$3.00,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$11.00, postpaid.

**83. Early Snowball.** A popular extra early strain of dwarf compact growth. It is valuable for both early and late. Pkt. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. \$1.25, oz. \$2.25,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$7.50, postpaid.

**84. Extra Early Dwarf Erfurt.** (Extra Selected.) Choicest selected strain of the popular Erfurt type. Pkt. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. \$1.25, oz. \$2.50,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$8.00, postpaid.

**86. Robinson's Dry Weather.** This is a fine, large, heavy variety. It is especially adapted for growing in dry locations on account of its large leaves, which furnish greater protection to the heads. To secure a large crop of the best solid heads it is essential that the ground be well enriched and most thoroughly cultivated during the growing season. Pkt. 25c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 85c., oz. \$3.00,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$11.00, postpaid.

## Celery

One ounce of seed produces about 2,000 plants.

Special Cultural Directions Free with your order if you request it.

### EARLY SELF-BLANCHING SORTS.

**87. Golden Self-Blanching.** The best of all early "self-blanching" varieties. It is of dwarf compact habit, with thick, solid, heavily ribbed stalks which blanch easily to a clear waxen yellow. When grown in rich, moist soil the stalks are numerous, each plant being fully as thick through as the largest of the tall, late sorts, and with a very large, solid heart of beautiful golden yellow stalks and leaves. The stalks are crisp and solid, free from stringiness and of most delicious flavor. Pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 40c., oz. 75c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$2.25, lb. \$7.50, postpaid.

**88. Golden Self-Blanching.** (Originator's French-grown Seed.) Very scarce. Pkt. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 80c., oz. \$1.50,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$5.00, lb. \$18.00, postpaid.

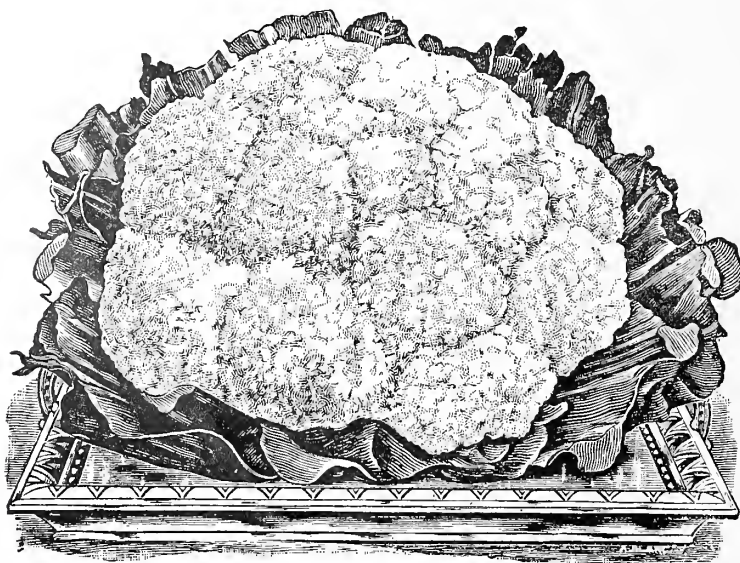
**89. White Plume.** This is the earliest and most easily blanched, but does not keep well taken from the trenches. The plants grow rapidly and blanch easily during the summer months. Later in the fall the central stalks and leaves are of pure, snowy

whiteness even without earthing up, but stalks should be gathered together and earthed up as in other varieties, so as to produce close, attractive bunches. Pkt. 10c., oz. 50c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.50, lb. \$5.00, postpaid.

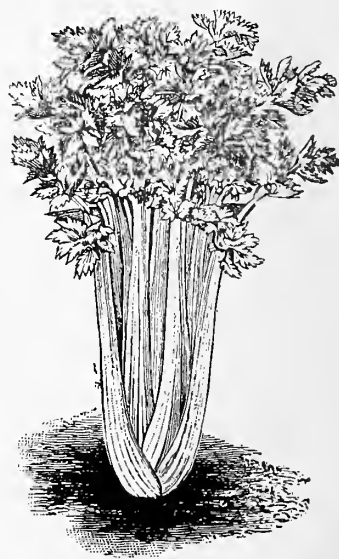
### WINTER VARIETIES OF CELERY.

**90. Winter Queen.** Most popular of all celeries for winter. It is short, stout, thick and heavy, a habit of growth which gives it truly remarkable value. The green coloring is not deep nor firmly fixed, making it easily blanched. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$3.00, postpaid.

**91. Giant Pascal.** A green-leaved variety, with thick, solid, crisp stalks and of incomparable flavor. Blanches very easily and is very brittle. A fine keeper, retaining color and fresh appearance as long as any other. A favorite with Southern growers. For mid-winter and early spring use it is excellent. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$3.00, postpaid.



Robinson's Best Early Cauliflower



Golden Self-Blanching

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## Corn, Sweet or Sugar

1 quart to 200 hills, 10 quarts to 1 acre.

Prices on corn by the bushel vary with the market. Write for quotations when interested.

95. **Early "Golden Bantam."** Earliest and best extreme-early, most delicious in flavor. It is not only extra early but also extra hardy. Plantings can be made a week or ten days earlier than with the shriveled seed of regular types. Dwarf in growth, the stalks averaging four feet in height. The ears are from five to seven inches in length; but what it lacks in size is fully made up in productiveness and quality. The small stalks can be grown closely together in the row, and in good soil will produce two and three fine ears to a stalk. Selected strain by mail postpaid: pkt. (one ounce) 10c., lb. 50c. By express or freight: pt. 40c., qt. 60c.

100. **Stowell's Evergreen.** Leading main-crop variety. Our stock can be depended upon to produce fine ears of superior quality. By mail postpaid: pkt. (one ounce) 10c., lb. 50c. By express or freight: pt. 40c., qt. 60c.

101. **Howling Mob.** The finest-eared second-early Corn; of delicious flavor. This is a new variety and being planted extensively, and claimed to be far ahead of any other second-early corn. By mail postpaid: pkt. (one and one-half ounces) 10c., lb. 40c. By express or freight: pt. 30c., qt. 50c.

102. **Early Mammoth.** A late ripening second early variety. Large size ears. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 35c. By express or freight: pt. 25c., qt. 40c.

103. **Late Mammoth.** A large-eared variety following Stowell's in maturing. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 35c. By express or freight: pt. 25c., qt. 40c.

104. **Country Gentleman.** One of the richest flavored of all the late varieties. As a table corn this variety stands unrivaled, and without doubt is the most luscious of all varieties of sweet corn. The plump, pearly-white kernels are of great depth, and most delicious. Very desirable as a market or table variety. By mail postpaid: pkt. (one ounce) 10c., lb. 50c. By express or freight: pt. 40c., qt. 60c.

105. **Black Mexican.** The Sweetest corn that grows; color when in roasting ear, purple and white. Pkt. 10c., lb. 35c., by mail postpaid. By express or freight: pt. 25c., qt. 40c.

106. **Adams Early.** Not sugar corn but produces large ears for early use. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 25c. By express or freight: pt. 15c., qt. 25c.

## Pop Corn

107. **Queen's Golden.** The stalks grow six feet high and the large ears are produced in abundance. It pops perfectly white, and a single kernel will expand to a diameter of nearly one inch. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 25c. By express or freight: pt. 15c., qt. 25c.

108. **White Rice.** The most widely known variety, grains pointed, pops full and white; ears large size. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 25c. By express or freight: pt. 15c., qt. 25c.

## Collards

This is a form of cabbage, bearing new leaves as the old ones are pulled off. Grown especially in the Southern States.

112. **Georgia.** Grows all winter in the South. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

## Corn Salad or Feticus

113. **Large Round Leaved, Large Seeded.** Used during winter and spring months as a substitute for lettuce, and also cooked and used like spinach. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

## Cress

114. **Fine Curled.** (Pepper Grass). Quick growing; growth dwarf and compact. Fine flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c., lb. 75c.

111. **Water Cress.** A well-known aquatic plant. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 40c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.25., lb. \$4.00.



Stowell's Evergreen



Queen's Golden



Golden Bantam

## Robinson's Select Cucumber Seed. True to Type

One ounce of seed will plant about 50 hills; one to two pounds to the acre.

Special Directions for forcing Cucumbers under Glass, Free with your order if you request it.

**115. Extra Early Green Prolific or Boston Pickling.** Dark green, of uniform growth. Very productive. Averaging four to five inches in length when large enough for slicing, and are of excellent quality; but it is chiefly for producing medium sized pickles that this variety is so highly esteemed. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**118. Davis' Perfect.** The shape is ideal. It is almost seedless one-third of its length from the stem, and the few seeds that are contained in its blossom end when in eating condition are so small and tender that they are hardly noticeable. Most important of all, it does not lose its dark, rich color when grown outdoors, and resembles a hot-house cucumber so much that dealers cannot tell the difference and are willing to pay as high prices for it as for the product of the hot-house. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.25, postpaid.

**116. Thorburn's Everbearing.** A very early and very productive variety. If fruits are kept gathered, vines will continue in bearing throughout the season. Averages four to five inches in length by one and a half inches in diameter. An excellent variety to plant for producing small pickles. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**119. Fordhook Pickling.** This is one of the best and most prolific for producing pickles of medium size, both for home use and market. The vines are extremely vigorous and healthy, yielding a large number of fruits if kept gathered at the proper stage. Skin extremely thin, tender, and free from toughness when pickled. If allowed to grow to full size, fruits are of excellent table quality, but where the largest quantity of pickles is desired fruits should be gathered while small. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

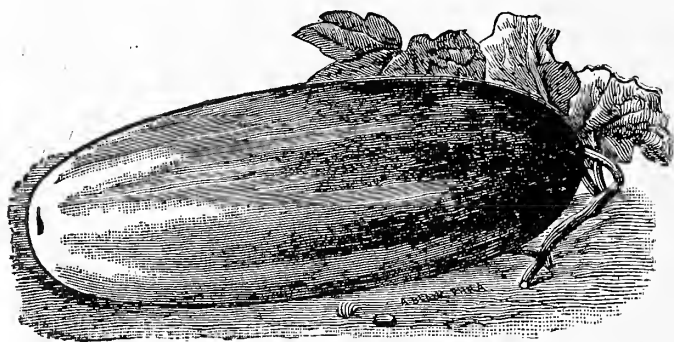
**120. Improved Long Green.** The young cucumbers make one of the best for pickles. Produces fruits from ten to twelve inches in length. Skin a deep rich green; flesh solid, crisp, and of excellent quality. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.25.

## Strains of White Spine Cucumbers

**123. Robinson's Extra Early Sure Green.** A special strain of the popular White Spine Cucumber. Extremely early and very desirable. The fruits are well colored, of smooth, regular form and excellent flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

**126. Klondike.** An extra fine new strain of White Spine. Dark green skin. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**124. Improved Arlington White Spine.** Uniform in size, straight and of rich dark green color. Flesh white, crisp, and solid, with comparatively few seed. Of vigorous growth and very productive. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.



Robinson's Extra Early Sure Green



Improved Long Green



Green Prolific

Mr. Edgar Arnold, of Monkton, Md., writes December 1, 1916:

"The seed I purchased from you last year proved to be of excellent quality and true to name.

"The potatoes gave a large yield and the Tip Top Musk Melon was the finest I have ever grown. Please mail me a catalogue again this year."

Mr. Basil J. Jupp, of Sandersdale, Mass., writes December 1, 1916:

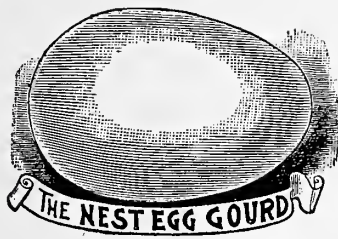
"The tomato and lettuce seed I bought of you last season certainly produced fine results."

Miss Anna Kassell, of Philo, Ohio, writes December 4, 1916:

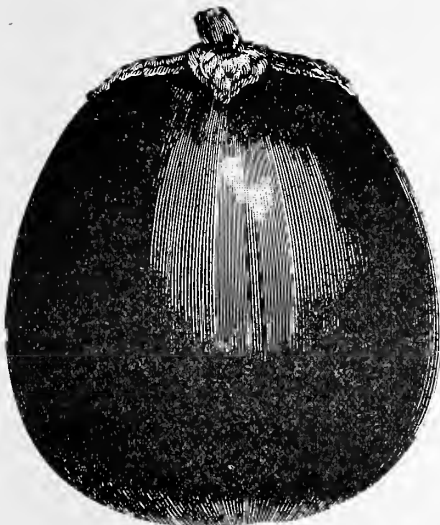
"The seed that I purchased of you last year were just fine."

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Leek



Black Beauty

## Egg Plants

One Ounce of Seed Produces About 1,000 Plants.

Egg Plant seed germinate slowly and should be started in moderately high temperature, for in this, as in all sub-tropical plants, it is of importance to secure a rapid and continuous growth from the first, the plants never recovering from a check received when young. When the plants have formed two rough leaves transplant to three or four inches apart. When the ground is warm and all danger not only from frosts but from cold nights is past, harden off the plants by gradual exposure to the sun and air and decrease the supply of water, then carefully transplant to the open ground, setting the plants two and one-half feet apart. If needed, shade the young plants and protect them from the potato bug, which otherwise often destroys them. Some seasons egg plants will fail to set fruit or will not begin bearing until too late to mature, no matter how faithfully they may have been cared for. This is especially likely to happen if the summer is cool and rather moist. We know of no certain remedy for it, although it is a good practice to pinch off the ends of the branches after the plants begin to bloom, so that not more than two or three fruits will set. It is desirable to shade the plants when young from very hot sun.

**128. Black Beauty.** Earliest and best of all large-fruited Egg Plants. Produces fruits fully as large and ready for use ten days to two weeks earlier than the New York Improved Purple. The grand, large fruits are thick and of most attractive form. The skin is a rich, lustrous purplish black. The intensely brilliant coloring is uniform over the whole fruit. The fruits set quickly and develop freely. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 40c., oz. 75c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$2.00, lb. \$7.00. Our seed direct from originator.

## Endive

One Ounce of Seed to 150 feet of Drill.

**130. Fine Green Curled.** Hardest variety. Deep green leaves, beautifully cut and curled; easily blanched. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c., lb. \$1.50.

**131. White Curled.** Does not need blanching, the mid ribs being naturally of a pale golden yellow, and the finely-cut and curled leaves almost white. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c., lb. \$1.50.

## Gourds

**136. Nest-Egg.** Resemble, in color, form and size the eggs of hens; do not crack, and are uninjured by cold or wet. They make the very best nest eggs. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.

## Kale, or Borecole

One Ounce of Seed to 200 feet of Drill, 4 Pounds to an Acre.

**140. Dwarf German, or German Greens.** Very dwarf and spreading. The leaves are beautifully curled and of bright green color. Very hardy. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 80c.

## Kohl-Rabi

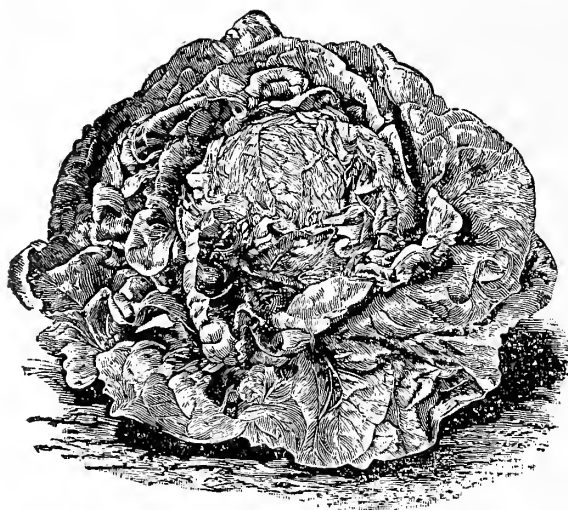
Grown for its turnip-shaped bulb. When young and tender, they are fine for table use; when matured, they keep splendidly, and are excellent for feeding stock. Set plants eight inches apart. One ounce of seed sows 200 feet of drill.

**143. Early White Vienna.** Smooth, short leaf; good for forcing, fine quality. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

**144. Early Purple Vienna.** Same as above except in outside color. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

## Leeks

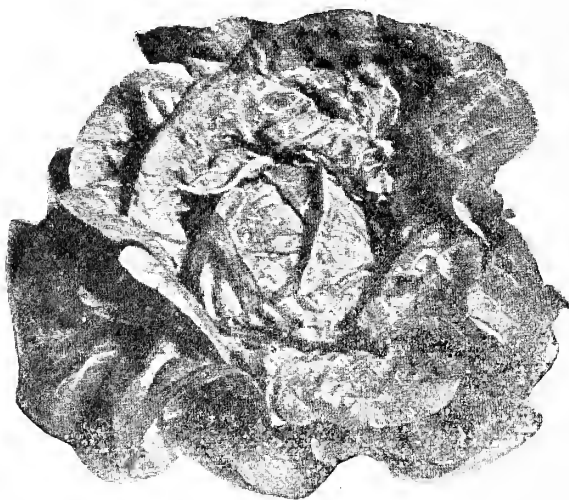
**145. Broad London Flag.** A hardy kind; large, strong plants with broad leaves. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c., lb. \$1.50.



Robinson's Earliest



May King



Big Boston

head; in cool weather the edges of these outer leaves are lightly tinged with brown. An excellent shipper for distant markets, arriving in good condition. We recommend repeated plantings of this variety in the spring, and again during August and September for fall use. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

**152. Grand Rapids.** Especially adapted for greenhouse culture in winter. It is useful also for outdoor planting during spring and fall. Does not form heads, but makes large, compact bunches of light green leaves with fringed edges. Extra fine stock; by mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

## Robinson's Choicest Lettuce

One ounce sows 100 square feet, plants 120 feet of row, produces 3000 plants.

Special Cultural Directions Free with your order if you request it.

For early outdoor culture in the latitude of Cincinnati and southward the seed may be planted in the fall, protecting the young plants from severe freezing either with frames or coarse litter, which may be removed as soon as danger of severe freezing is over. Lettuce in ground out of doors will stand some freezing, but is killed by prolonged frost or frequent freezing and thawing. North of Cincinnati an early crop may be secured by starting under glass from January to March and hardening off well before setting in ground, which should be done as soon as weather will permit.

Lettuce to be at its best should be grown as rapidly as possible, hence the soil should be made as rich and friable as possible by liberal manuring and thorough preparation. For winter, sow under glass from November to February and thin out as necessary to prevent crowding. Keep a moderate heat and give all the light and air possible. For general crop, sow outdoors as early in the spring as the ground can be worked, in drills eighteen inches apart and thin the young plants to four inches apart in the row. As the plants begin to crowd, thin them out and use as required. In this way a much longer succession of cuttings may be had from the same ground.

## Earliest and Forcing Varieties

**147. Robinson's Earliest.** Superior to all other early heading varieties. Whether grown in open ground for summer and fall use or in frames for spring and early summer, it invariably gives the greatest satisfaction, producing firm heads of fine quality and handsome appearance. It is the earliest and surest heading of any other early variety, and of the very finest quality at all seasons. The outer leaves are of a beautiful light green and the entire head is finely blanched to a rich buttery-yellow. The heads are large and tightly folded. Will stand a longer time before running to seed than any other early head variety. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 60c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.75, lb. \$6.00.

**148. White Seeded Tennis Ball, or Boston Market.** A well-known forcing variety. Not of any value for outdoor culture, except in cool, moist weather. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50.

**149. Black Seeded Tennis Ball.** A splendid forcing variety. Produces larger heads than the White Seeded Tennis Ball, and preferred by many growers. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c., lb. \$1.75.

**150. Big Boston.** This is a fine forcing variety for cold frames during the winter months, as it produces heads of very large size, often ten to twelve inches across, and succeeds better in a cooler temperature than most forcing strains. It heads well also in the open ground during cool weather of spring and fall and is very popular in the South to grow for shipping North. Extra selected seed of the true stock. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

**151. May King.** A very early variety, of quick growth, practically all head and extremely handsome. Grows quickly in open ground, forming fine, large, solid heads 6 to 7 inches in diameter, with the broad, light green outer leaves folding closely about the round, solid head. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

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## Lettuce—Continued

### Solid "Crisp Head" Lettuce

164. **Iceberg.** Crisp, tender and fine in every particular. It matters not whether grown to head in early spring, or the hottest days of summer, the leaves are always crisp and tender. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

### "Loosehead" Lettuce or Cutting Varieties

153. **Early Curled Simpson.** A leading early variety; does not head, but forms a compact mass of curly leaves. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50.

## Cabbage Lettuce—Butterhead Varieties

These make good, large, solid, well-blanchd heads in the open ground, under suitable conditions of soil and weather.

158. **California Cream Butter.** A splendid lettuce for the open ground, producing very large, solid heads in cool weather. Largely planted in the Southern States for shipping north during the winter. Heads of large size, very solid, and the interior portion blanchd to a beautiful white. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c., lb. \$1.75.

159. **Deacon, or San Francisco Market.** This magnificent lettuce stands hot weather better than any other of the rich butter varieties and is justly most

### "Loosehead" Lettuce—Continued

154. **Black-Seeded Simpson.** Very popular, forms large, loose heads. The leaves are large and curly, thin and exceedingly tender, and of good quality. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50.

156. **The Morse.** A large, loose-bunching or non-heading variety, forming a large bunch of leaves which are very crisp and of fine flavor. In color it is a light green and very attractive. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50.

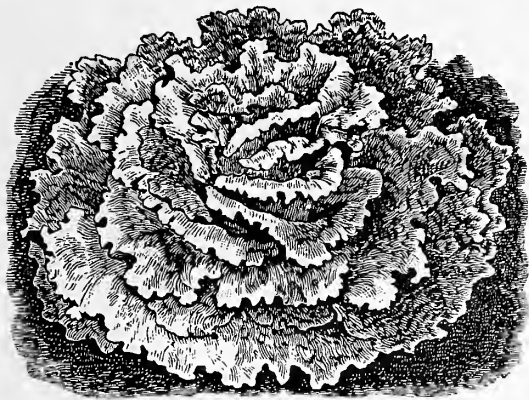
157. **Early Prize Head.** Large, loose heads; green tinged with brown. Crisp and tender. Very hardy. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50.

popular. Plants make firm heads, nearly as large and almost as solid as a cabbage. The heads are light green outside, while the inner blanchd portion is beautiful cream yellow, of delicious, rich, buttery flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50.

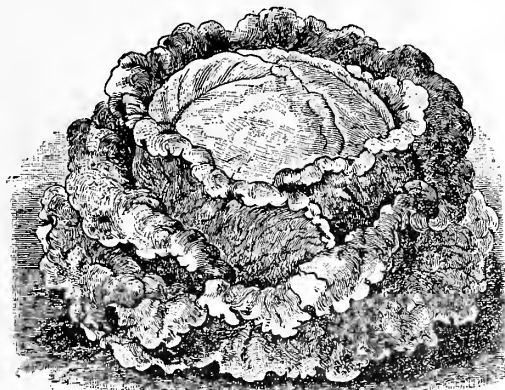
162. **Mammoth Black-seeded Butter.** A good variety for summer use, and will also produce excellent heads when planted in cold frames. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50.

### Cos or "Celery" Lettuce

167. **Paris White Cos.** Grows to very large size, producing long pointed, compact bunches. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50.



Early Curled Simpson



California Cream Butter

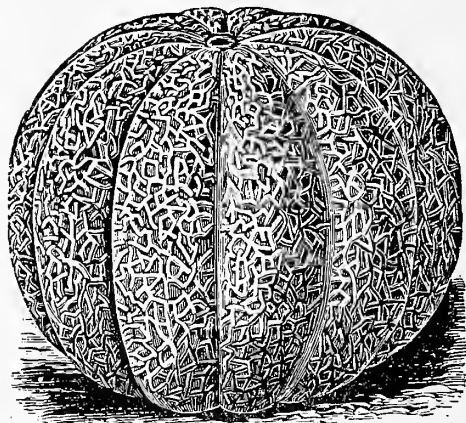
W. C. Errickson & Son, of South Vineland, N. J., writes December 1, 1916:

"Your Robinson's Earliest Lettuce is a wonder for its rapid heading. It has the finest flavor of any we have tried. We believe every seed grew and made a plant.

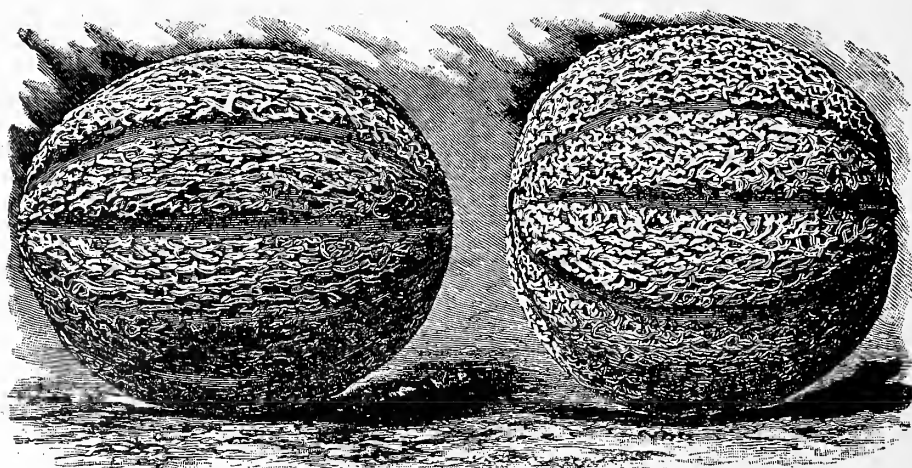
"We also tried some of your Robinson's Earliest Red Tomato, and found these to be the best we ever grew. Every tomato was just as perfect as if it had come out of a mold. As to bearing they cannot be beaten, and we expect to make a large planting of these next season. These tomatoes brought more money than other varieties due to their size and earliness."

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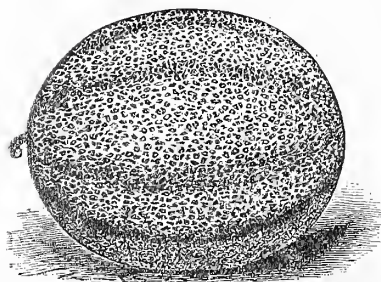
## Musk Melons



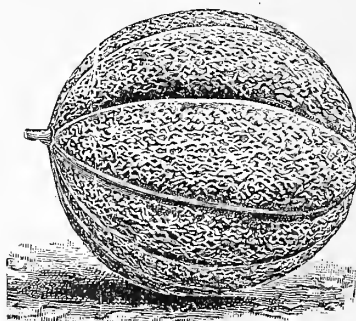
Extra Early Hackensack



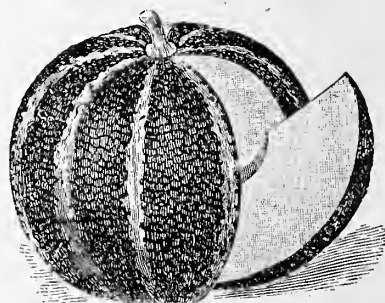
Two Specimens of Netted Gems



Knight



Paul Rose



Emerald Gem

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## Green Flesh Musk Melons

One ounce of seed will plant 60 hills, 2 to 3 pounds to an acre.

Special Cultural Direction Free with your order if you request it.

Plant the seed in hills six feet apart each way, dropping ten to twelve seeds in a hill. After the plants begin to crowd and the striped beetles are pretty well gone, thin to four of the most vigorous plants in a hill. Give frequent but shallow cultivation, until the plants make runners so long that this is impracticable. Rich earth for the young plants is far better than manure, but if the latter must be used, see that it is well rotted and thoroughly mixed with the soil.

If the plants grow very rank, more and finer fruit will be secured by allowing the main branches to continue growing, but pinch off the end of each side branch after it has one fruit set. The quality of melons of all varieties is largely dependent upon conditions of growth and ripening. Unhealthy vines or unfavorable weather produce fruit of comparatively poor flavor. The plants are liable to attack from the striped beetles which are so numerous in some cases as to destroy them. The beetles may be kept off by frequent dusting with air-slaked lime, soot or sifted ashes diluted with fine road earth. Care should be taken not to use too much of the above materials or the vines will be injured. Should even the diluted material prove injurious to the vine, use road earth only, as frequent dusting with this alone will often prove effective, especially if a wind is blowing.

**169. Extra Early Hackensack.** This is a selection of the popular Hackensack, ripening fully ten days earlier. Melons of good size, heavily ribbed, thick, light green flesh of fine flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**175. Netted Gem, or Rocky Ford.** This is the variety that has made Colorado famous for its luscious "Rocky Ford" melons. Our strain is true, coming direct from the originator. Firm green flesh. Sweet and luscious clear to the rind. Slightly tinged with yellow immediately surrounding the seed cavity. Seed cavity small. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**170. Knight.** Very fine. About a week earlier than the Netted Gem or Rocky Ford. A large fruited oblong or oval melon, well ribbed and heavily netted; the flesh is thick, light green, and of delicious flavor. This melon has a wonderful reputation around Norfolk, Va., as well as on its native soil of Maryland, where it is planted almost exclusively. Averages about six inches in length and  $4\frac{1}{2}$  to 5 inches through the center. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

**171. Early Jenny Lind.** The melons are of rather small size, quite flattened in form, heavily ribbed and netted. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

## Salmon-Fleshed Musk Melons

**177. Emerald Gem.** Ripens very early, medium size, nearly round. Delicious in flavor. Salmon fleshed. It is too soft to stand shipping any great distance to market, but is unequaled for home use or nearby markets. Vines are of strong, vigorous growth and very prolific. If fruits are gathered as soon as they ripen, the vines will continue in bearing throughout the season. The melons are of the same size as the Netted Gem, but flattened at the stem and blossom ends. The skin is a rich, deep emerald green, smooth and free from netting. Flesh very thick, with thin rind and small seed cavity. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.50.

**179. Paul Rose, or Petoskey.** This is a cross of the Osage with the Netted Gem. The fruits are nearly round or slightly oval, ribbed and heavily netted; of a light green or faint golden hue when fully ripe. The flesh is thick, of deep orange color, and ripens close down to the rind with small seed cavity. The bright salmon flesh is much firmer than that of the Emerald Gem. It is an excellent shipping variety. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.

**180. Burrell Gem.** A superior new orange-fleshed shipping melon. Of splendid flavor, sweet and aromatic, oblong shape, smoothly rounded ends, closely netted and slightly ribbed, dark green skin. Rind thin but very tough; flesh exceptionally deep rich salmon-orange color. Fruits average six inches long by four inches deep. Very fine for marketing. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**181. Tip-Top.** The melons are round in form, of large size, evenly ribbed, moderately netted and very productive. It is sweet, juicy and delicious. The flesh is firm, but not hard, and is edible almost to the rind. It is a strong grower, heavy yielder and of handsome appearance and is one of the best of the orange-fleshed sorts. Well suited for both the home garden and the market. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**182. Banana.** This curious melon attains a length of fifteen to twenty inches, and from four to six inches in diameter. The salmon flesh is thick and of a delicious flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c., lb. \$1.75.

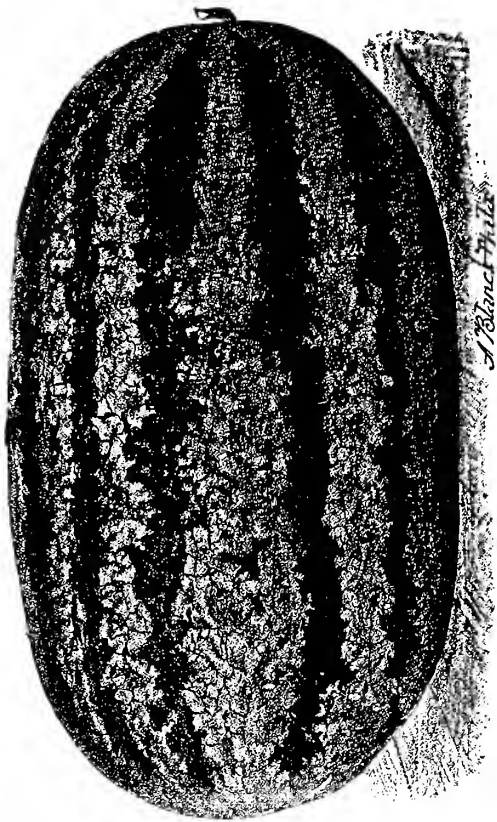
Mrs. Alexis F. Parsons of Ripley, W. Va., writes under date of December 16, 1916:

"The seeds we purchased from you last spring proved to be better than you claimed them to be.

"The Sweet Corn, especially the Golden Bantam, was the earliest and best corn we ever saw, and the Lazy Wife Beans are surely a miracle. You can look for an order from me this coming spring and I will expect a copy of your catalogue soon."

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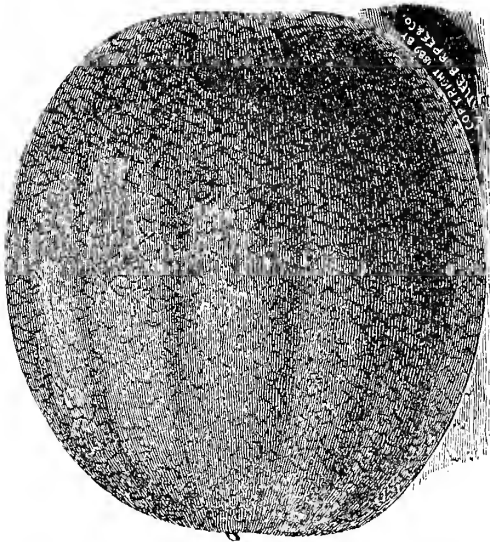
Watermelons



Florida Favorite



Kleckley Sweets



Fordhook Early



Triumph

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## Watermelons

One ounce of seed to 20 to 30 hills; 4 to 5 lbs. to acre

**185. Fordhook Early.** The earliest large fruited melon in cultivation. It produces a good number of fine large melons before any other varieties are ripe, with the exception only of the small Cole's Early and Harris' Earliest, neither of which is equal in quality. The fruits are of good size, rather short and blocky in form, with large diameter. Skin dark green, occasionally with faint stripes of lighter green. Flesh bright red, crisp, sweet, and of splendid quality. Rind quite thin, but skin tough, making an excellent shipping variety. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**187. Triumph.** A large size, handsome melon, rather shortened in form but thick through. The rind is a deep bluish green, with dark red flesh, solid and sweet. Excellent shipper. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**189. Shaker Blue.** This is the big Jumbo of the whole lot. It grows to an immense size, frequently weighing forty to sixty pounds. Oval in shape, very thick through and a splendid keeper. The flesh is red, heart almost solid, with a core of good flavor. Good shipper. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00, postpaid.

**190. Cuban Queen.** A large variety, oblong in form, slightly tapering at the stem end. Beautifully striped in dark and light green; an enormous cropper. Rind quite thin but tough enough for shipping. Flesh bright red, firm and luscious flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**200. Florida Favorite.** A beautiful, large oblong melon, with dark green skin, faintly striped with still deeper shade. Flesh deep red, crisp and deliciously sweet. Ten days earlier than Kolb's Gem. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**207. Tom Watson.** Produces melons eighteen to twenty-four inches long by ten to twelve inches in diameter and weighing from fifty to sixty pounds; the dark green rind is thin but tough and easily withstands shipment to far distant markets. Flesh deep red, crisp, melting and of finest flavor. Heart large with no sign of core. Seeds brown, tipped with white. Choicest seed of true stock, by mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c., lb. \$1.50.

**193. Kleckley Sweets.** This splendid, sweetest and most delicious watermelon has become very popular wherever it has been given a thorough test. While the skin is perhaps too thin to admit of melons being shipped very great distances to market, it is most desirable to plant for home use and local markets. The melons are very large, oblong in form, averaging eighteen to twenty inches in length by ten to twelve inches in diameter, of a dark green color. The flesh is bright scarlet, with broad, solid heart. Crisp, sugary and free from stringiness. The melons are of handsome appearance; ripen early, and are most desirable for the home garden. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**197. Sweetheart.** This very popular melon is one of the best. It is an entirely distinct and handsome watermelon. Fruits large and heavy, of oval or round form. Skin very pale green, with distinct netted lines of a slightly darker shade. Flesh deep rich red, solid, crisp and deliciously sweet. The large, handsome fruits bear shipping well. The melons retain their good qualities for a long time after ripening and being gathered. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**208. Halbert Honey.** Claimed by the originators to be the finest of all watermelons for the home garden and for local markets. It fully equals the Kleckley Sweets in superb, luscious flavor, and fruits more even and regular in outline, with a darker, richer colored skin. The vines are of strong, vigorous growth and set fruits very freely. Will ripen choice fruits even in the northern states if planted in a good location. The melons average eighteen to twenty inches long and are full or bluntly rounded at both ends. The skin is a dark, glossy green. The flesh is a beautiful crimson, the rich coloring and luscious quality extending to the thin rind. Seed of the choicest selected stock, by mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50c., lb. \$1.50.

## Citron

**210. Colorado Preserving.** This is a large fruiting strain of Citron for preserving. Flesh clear white

and very solid. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

## Mustard

One ounce of seed to 50 feet of drill.

**212. Black or Brown.** Per pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., lb. 40c. By mail postpaid.

## Okra or Gumbo

**220. Perfected Perkins Long-Pod.** The pods are produced in great abundance, and when ready to use are from four to five inches in length, of a handsome

green color and best quality. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 80c.

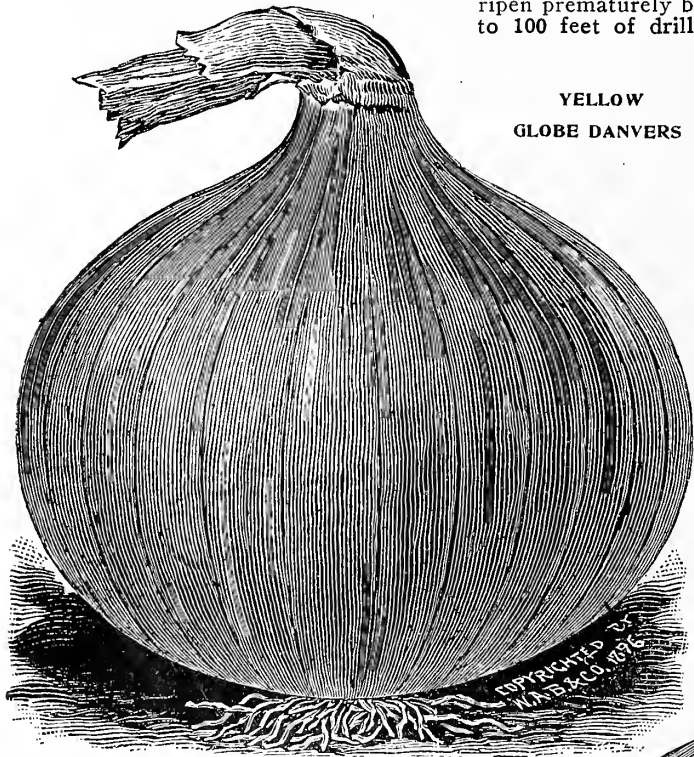
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## Robinson's Unexcelled Onion Seed

**Special Cultural Directions FREE with your order if you request it**

Onion seed should be sown as soon as possible in the spring, even if the weather is cold, just so the soil works up well. This gives the onion a good start, ahead of weeds, and before dry weather sets in. Onions delight in rich, deep, sandy loam and succeed well if grown for a succession of years on the same ground. Deep plowing prevents blight. For heavy crops, large quantities of well rotted manure must be used. If this is not to be had, use high-grade commercial fertilizers, with large percentage of potash. When harvesting, protect the bulbs from the rain or dew while in the open air or they will be discolored.

To grow onions profitably, the preferences of the markets in which they are to be sold should be consulted as well as the character of the soil. Onions of a certain form or color can be sold more readily at a better price than those of another variety with which your market may not be familiar. In selecting a variety you should bear in mind that the flat-shaped onions are the earliest and surest-ripening; these should be selected either for an extra early crop or for a soil which is liable to be wet. As a rule the globe shaped onions will grow to a larger size and yield a heavier crop to a given area. Those varieties which grow to a very large size require a longer season in which to make their growth, and should not be planted on light, dry soils, or they will ripen prematurely before they have attained full size. One ounce to 100 feet of drill, 4 to 5 lbs. to an acre.



**YELLOW  
GLOBE DANVERS**

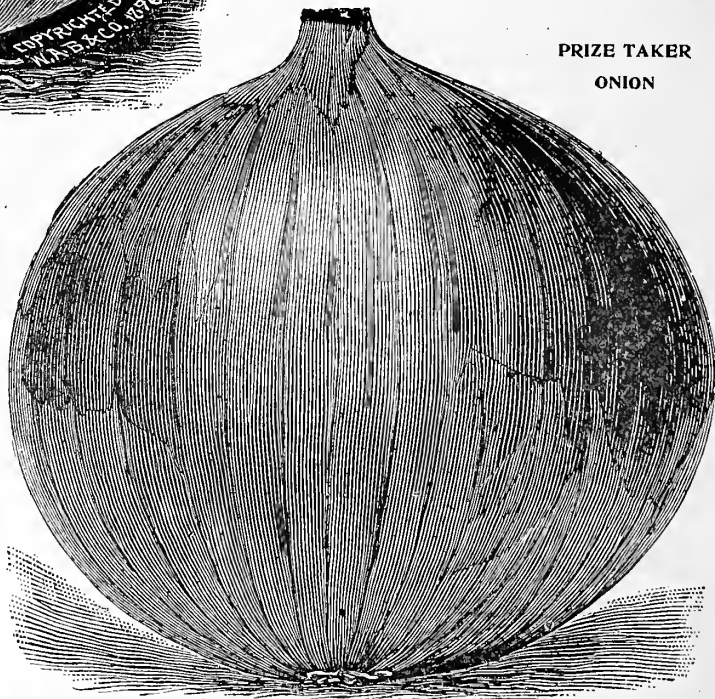
**221. Yellow Globe Danvers Onion.** In our eastern markets this is a standard variety for winter use, producing well-ripened bulbs nearly globe shape, averaging two inches in diameter. Flesh pure white, crisp and mild. Skin a light golden brown or pale yellow. Ripens early, keeps well and is very productive and profitable. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50.

**222. Southport Yellow Globe.** Produces large, globe-shaped bulbs. They are larger in size and more perfectly globe-shaped than Globe Danvers. The color of the skin is light yellow; the flesh is white, fine-grained, crisp and mild. A heavy cropper, and from its handsome appearance sells readily in all markets. Excellent keeper. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 35c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00, lb. \$3.50.

**223. Yellow Danvers.** This variety ripens more surely in moist locations than do the globe-shaped varieties, as well as earlier. The thin-necked, flattened bulbs are quite thick through, with fine-grained mild white flesh and light yellow skin. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50.

**224. Prize-taker Onion.** A popular large yellow onion. Equal to the large Spanish variety from which it was acclimated, and which are so often seen in the fruit stores and markets of all large cities during the fall months, where it brings a high price. This strain is especially satisfactory where the plants are started very early under glass and transplanted to produce the extra large specimen onions; it will also produce fine onions of four inches in diameter from seed sown in the open ground early in the spring. They grow nearly round form; flesh is pure white, solid, crisp and very mild in flavor; skin thin and of a light straw yellow. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 35c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00, lb. \$3.25.

**231. Earliest White Queen, or Extra Early Barletta.** Best of all for small pickles and the earliest ripening onion in cultivation. Bulbs pure paper white, generally small, averaging one and a half inches in diameter, and of mild flavor. Should have a place in every garden for early use and pickling. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 35c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00, lb. \$3.25.



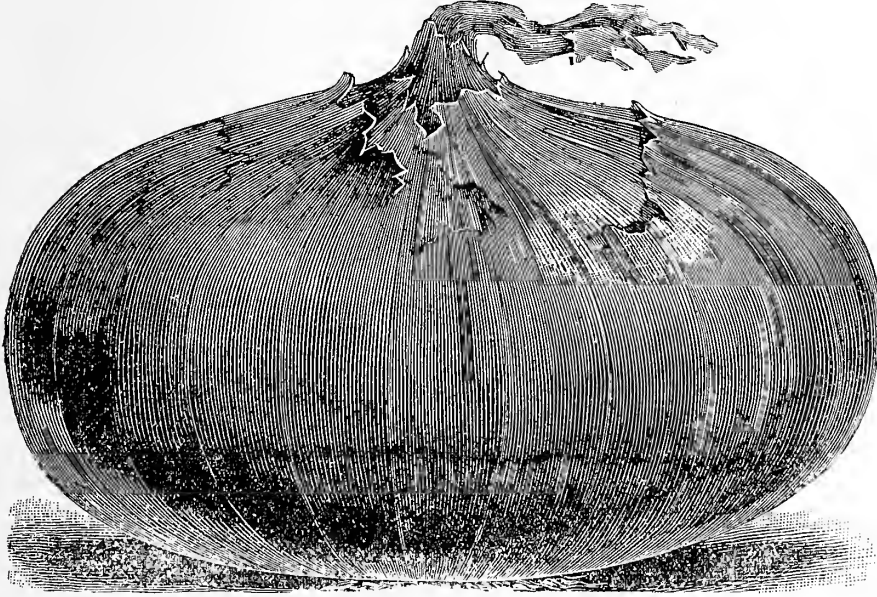
**PRIZE TAKER  
ONION**

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## Onions—Continued

**225. Australian Brown.** The bulbs somewhat resemble the Danver's in size and form, but are thicker through, thus yielding a larger crop, both in bulk and weight, and mature earlier. The skin is generally of a bright reddish brown, while the flesh is white, crisp, extremely solid, and of sweet, mild flavor. It is extra-early, a sure cropper, and extra long-keeping. Bulbs have been kept in fine condition for a year after they were harvested. This onion is most popular with growers in the Middle West and West, where onion bulbs are sold by weight. Like all strains of onions originating in Australia, it shows a tendency to produce bulbs varying in color of skin, but this rather unfortunate feature does not interfere in any way with its other superb characteristics. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 35c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00, lb. \$2.50.



Extra Large Red Wethersfield

ity. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50, postpaid.

**228. True Southport Large Red Globe.** A very showy and most richly colored of all red onions. Large, solid and remarkably uniform in size, measuring two and a half to three inches in diameter. Of an extra dark rich red coloring, ripen evenly and yield the largest percentage of marketable onions. They ripen down hard and solid, insuring the best keeping qualities. Their beautiful appearance insures a ready market. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 35c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 90c., lb. \$3.25.

**229. Southport Large White Globe.** Of beautiful silvery-white color, perfectly globe-shaped, uniform in size, averaging two to two and one-half inches in diameter, with a thin, delicate skin of purest paper whiteness. It generally commands the highest price of all American varieties of market onions. The flesh is firm, crisp, fine grained, snowy white in color and of mild, pleasant flavor. The bulbs should be stored in a cool, dark loft or shed to dry as soon as they are ripe enough to harvest. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 45c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.25, lb. \$4.50.

**230. White Portugal, or White Silverskin.** The bulbs grow to good size, ripening early and quite evenly. The flesh is mild and sweet, the thin skin is a clear, silvery white. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 45c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.25, lb. \$4.25.

### Choice Onion Sets

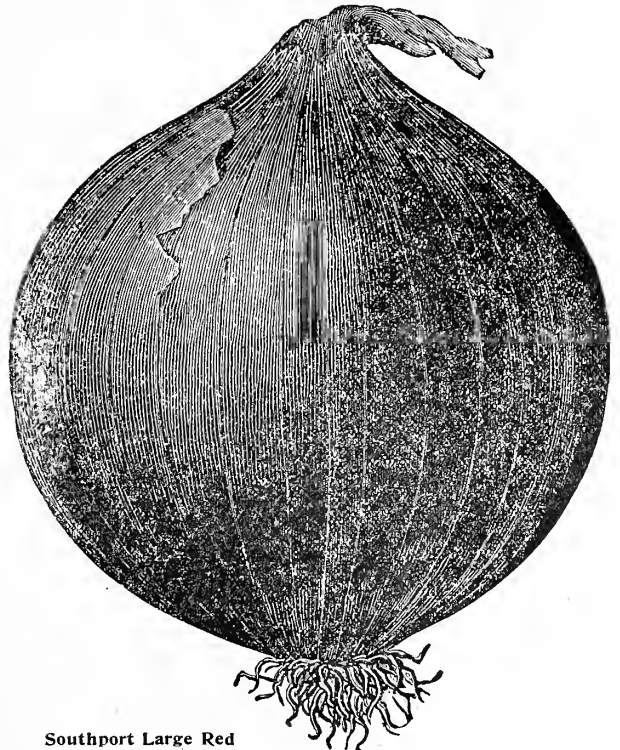
Prices by the bushel vary with the market. Please write for quotations.

**White Onion Sets.** By mail postpaid: pint 30c., quart 50c. By express or freight: quart 30c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck 75c., peck \$1.25.

**Yellow Onion Sets.** By mail postpaid: pint 30c., quart 50c. By express or freight: quart 30c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck 75c., peck \$1.25.

**226. Extra Large Red Wethersfield Onion.** The largest, most uniform, heaviest yielder, and one of the best keeping of all the red onions. For general purposes, the country over, no red variety is more largely grown. It is not an early ripening sort, but continues in growth throughout the season and makes very large onions. Though well flattened, the solid onions are thick through. The outer skin is smooth and glossy, of a deep, rich purplish red color; flesh white, lightly tinged with pinkish rose. Flavor mild. One of the best keepers. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50.

**227. Yellow Dutch.** The bulbs of this onion are quite large and flat and this is the variety that is most universally used for producing the best-shaped Yellow Onion sets. The skin is very light yellow; flesh creamy white, mild and of excellent qual-



Southport Large Red

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## Parsley

Parsley is used for seasoning soups and stews, for salads, and is also esteemed for the beautiful appearance of the fresh green leaves when used as a garnish to various dishes. Seed should be sown early in spring, as soon as the soil can be dug in a fine, loose condition; it germinates best during cool, moist weather. **One ounce to 150 feet of drill.**

**232. Finest Double Curled.** Dwarf; crimped leaves; very fine variety. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00, postpaid.

**234. Extra Dark Moss Curled.** Leaves are of an extra dark green color. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00, postpaid.

## Parsnips

**One ounce to 200 feet of drill; 5 or 6 lbs. to an acre.**

Parsnips are well known as a delicious vegetable, but their value for the purpose of feeding cattle and stock is but little appreciated. The parsnip is rich in saccharine food, which adds greatly to the richness of the milk, when freshly dug and fed to cows. The roots improve by being left in the ground until spring.

**238. Guernsey (Improved Half-Long).** The roots are very smooth; the flesh is fine-grained and of

most excellent quality. The roots do not grow so long as the Hollow Crown, but are of greater diameter and more easily gathered. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

**239. Hollow Crown or Long Smooth.** (Abbott's Improved Long Sugar, or Long White Dutch Parsnip.) Considered the best variety in cultivation for general use. A great cropper, tender and sugary. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

## Choice Varieties of Peppers

**One ounce of seed will produce about 1500 plants.**

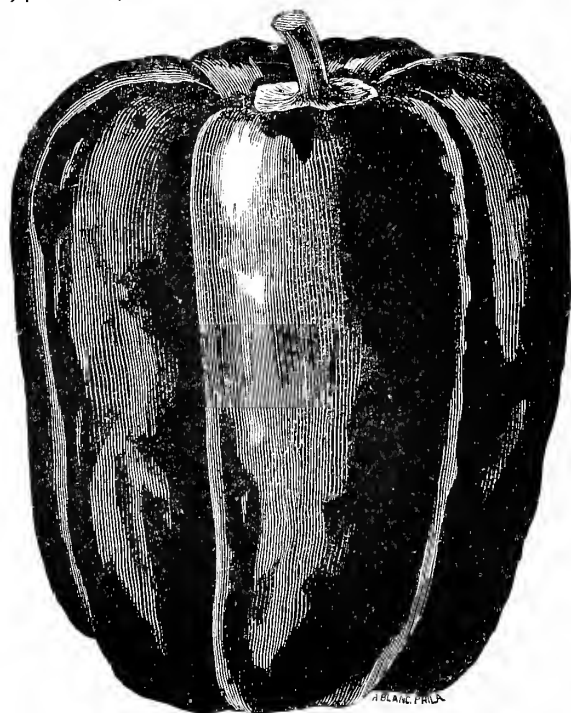
**241. Ruby King.** The most popular large red pepper, and the mildest of all varieties—the peppers may be eaten from the hand like an apple. Produces a fine crop of handsome, extra large, scarlet peppers; plants grow two feet high. The flesh is quite thick and sweet. Especially fine for mangoes. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 50c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.50, lb. \$5.00.

**242. Neapolitan Large Early.** This is the earliest Large Mild Red Pepper. It is very prolific and the early fruits average four inches long and four and one-half inches in circumference; the later fruits are slightly larger. Ripens ten days to two weeks ahead of any other large pepper. The skin and flesh are bright red. Thick meat, sweet and mild as an apple. Will carry well and keep in prime condition a long time. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 85c., lb. \$3.00.

**243. Chinese Giant.** The largest mild red pepper, double the size of Ruby King and matures only slightly later. Plants are of strong, vigorous growth, of stocky habit, seldom more than two feet in height. Produces uniformly monstrous peppers of thick, blocky form and most brilliant glossy scarlet. The flesh is extremely mild. It makes an excellent salad sliced and served like tomatoes. True seed of a selected strain will always be high in price. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 40c., oz. 75c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$2.00, lb. \$7.00.

**244. Bull-nose or Improved Large Bell.** Produces sweet, scarlet fruits, three inches in length and two inches in diameter. Our fine stock ripens earlier than Ruby King. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 25c., oz. 40c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.25, lb. \$4.00.

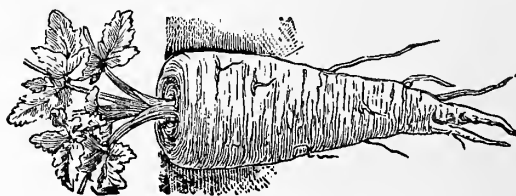
Each of the following 5c. per pkt.	oz.	$\frac{1}{4}$ lb.	lb.
<b>247. True Long Red Cayenne.....</b>	30c.	85c.	\$3.00
<b>248. Red Chili.....</b>	30c.	85c.	3.00
<b>249. Golden Queen .....</b>	30c.	1.25	4.00



Chinese Giant Pepper



Finest Doubled Curled Parsley



Guernsey Parsnip

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## Herbs—Sweet, Pot, Medicinal

To preserve varieties of which the leaves and stems are used, the stems should be cut from the plants just before the blossom appears (leaving a few joints at the base to sprout into fresh growth), tied in small bunches and hung up to dry. Where wanted for home use, it is preferable to leave them hanging in a cool loft or garret until they are needed for use. The varieties marked with a star (\*) are hardy perennials, living over from year to year, and need replanting only when the old plants become exhausted.

**381. Basil (Sweet).** The leaves are used for flavoring soups, stews and highly seasoned dishes. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c., postpaid.

**384. Caraway.\*** Grown for the seeds, which are used for flavoring bread, pastry, etc. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c., ¼ lb. 40c., postpaid.

**385. Catnip, or Catmint.\*** The leaves are used for seasoning. It makes also an excellent bee pasture. Pkt. 10c., oz. 40c., ¼ lb. \$1.00, postpaid.

**386. Coriander.** The seeds are used in the manufacture of liquors and confectionery. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c., ¼ lb. 40c., lb. 75c., postpaid.

**387. Dill.** The seeds have an aromatic odor and warm, pungent taste. They are used as a condiment and also for pickling with cucumbers. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c., ¼ lb. 40c., lb. \$1.00, postpaid.

**388. Fennel (Sweet).\*** The leaves boiled are used in sauces. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c., ¼ lb. 60c., postpaid.

**391. Lavender.\*** The true Lavender. Pkt. 10c., oz. 50c., ¼ lb. \$1.50, lb. \$5.00, postpaid.

**392. Majoram, Sweet.** The leaves and the ends of the shoots are esteemed for seasoning in summer and also dried for winter use. Pkt. 10c., oz. 50c., ¼ lb. \$1.50, lb. \$5.00, postpaid.

**395. Sage.\*** The most extensively used of all herbs for seasoning and dressing; indispensable. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c., ¼ lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50, postpaid.

**396. Summer Savory.** The leaves and flowers are used extensively for flavoring, particularly in soups and dressings. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c., ¼ lb. 75c., lb. \$2.50, postpaid.

**400. Thyme.\*** The leaves are used for seasoning; a tea is also made for nervous headache. Pkt. 10c., oz. 60c., postpaid.

## Tobacco Seed

Sow seed as soon as danger of frost is over. Pulverize soil of seed bed thoroughly. When plants are six inches high transplant into hills four or five feet apart each way and cultivate frequently. An ounce of seed produces sufficient plants for an acre.

**404. Connecticut Seed Leaf.** Grown in all sections of the United States and extensively in Connecticut.

An old, well known variety. Pkt. 10c., oz. 30c., ¼ lb. 85c., lb. \$3.00, postpaid.

**405. Sterling.** One of the earliest to ripen and one of the best for all purposes. Pkt. 10c., oz. 45c., ¼ lb. \$1.25, lb. \$4.50.

**409. Lancaster Co. Broadleaf.** Grown extensively in Lancaster county, Pa. Pkt. 10c., oz. 35c., ¼ lb. \$1.00, lb. \$3.50.

## Sunflower

**Mammoth Russian Sunflower.** The giant of all sunflowers. Single heads measure twelve to twenty-two inches in diameter and contain an immense quantity of seed, which is highly valued by all farmers and poultry breeders who have tried it as an excellent and cheap food for fowls. They eat it greedily, fatten well on it, and attain a bright, lustrous plumage and strong, healthy condition better than on almost any other food. It is the best egg-producing food known for poultry. Every farmer should plant some of the seed in any waste piece of ground, any time from early spring up to the middle of July.

It is a wonderful improvement on the old native sunflower, and besides the great value of the seed as a poultry and stock food its leaves make a capital fodder, while its strong, thick stalks can be profitably used as fuel. Four quarts of seed will plant an acre. The seed is also recommended as an excellent food for horses. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., pint 20c., quart 35c. By express or freight: quart 20c., peck 75c., bushel \$2.75, per sack of two bushels \$5.00.

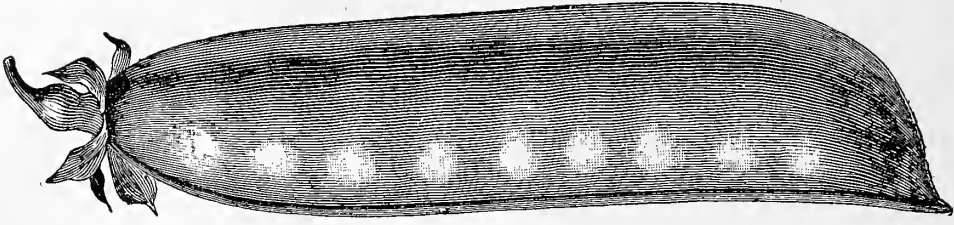
Miss Nellie F. Perkins, of East Pembroke, Mass., writes under date of December 15, 1916:

"We hesitated about ordering seeds from the South fearing they would not grow well in Northern soil, but we found them most satisfactory, and only wish we had purchased more.

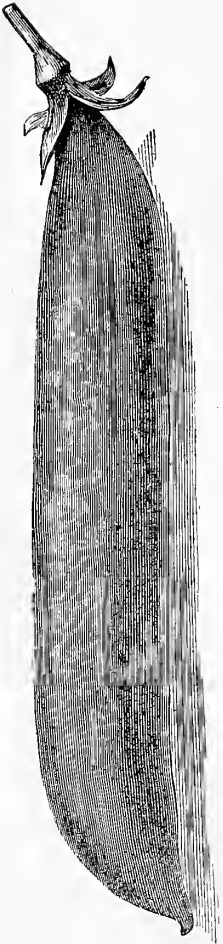
"We do a truck market garden business and use a great variety of seeds. Will be very pleased to have your 1917 catalogue."



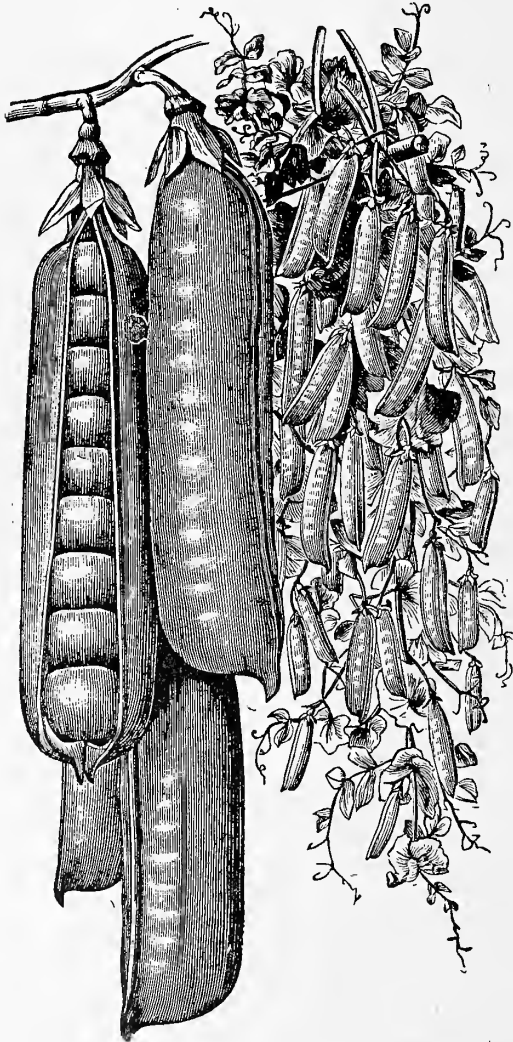
## Peas



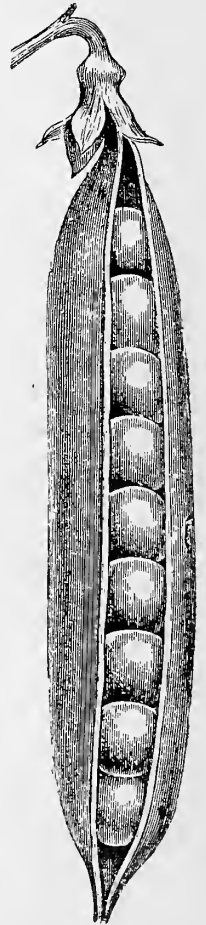
Improved Sugar Marrow



Gradus



Robinson's Pedigree Extra Early



Thomas Laxton

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## Choicest Extra Early Peas

For early peas the soil should be light and warm, but for general crop a moderately heavy soil is better. Fresh manure and very rich or wet, mucky soil should be avoided, as they cause a rank growth of vine at the cost of the quality of the peas; such soil is often the cause of early sorts of maturing unevenly. Sow as early as possible, a few of some early variety on warm, quick soil, prepared the fall before. The general crop can be delayed until later, but you will have better success from sowing all the varieties comparatively early, depending for succession upon selecting sorts that follow each other in maturity.

**251. Robinson's Pedigree Extra Early.** The best extreme early pea in cultivation. The pods are handsome, straight and well filled with peas of superior quality. It is immensely productive for such an early variety. Very profitable for the gardener and shipper because it ripens uniformly, so that practically every pod may be gathered at one picking. The vines average eighteen to twenty-four inches in height, are slender and quick in growth, and freer from sports than any other extra early pea. The peas are much better in flavor than the choicest stock of Alaska and equally as early. This pea beyond a doubt leads all extra early varieties. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express or freight: pint 35c., quart 60c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.50, peck \$2.50.

**252. Alaska.** The vines grow about thirty inches, bearing well filled medium sized pods, very uniform in maturing the crop and of excellent quality. This fine pea has become a standard extra early market variety. Our strain is extra fine. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express or freight: pint 35c., quart 60c., peck \$2.50.

**253. Extra Early Gradus, or Prosperity Pea.** The earliest large, wrinkled pea known. Sweet, tender and luscious. Matures only two or three days later than the small-podded round seed extra earlies. They grow about two and one-half to three feet in height; the vine is very robust and the foliage most vigorous, bearing their handsome, uniformly large pods profusely, which measure four to four and one-half inches in length, nearly round and well filled with very large, handsome peas of the finest flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express or freight: pint 35c., quart 60c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.50, peck \$2.50.

**261. Ameer.** Long-podded Alaska is a synonym for this variety. The vines will grow about 3 feet in height, producing long, blunt-end pods of a beautiful dark green. Pods are large. A very prolific variety. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express or freight: pint 35c., quart 60c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.50, peck \$2.50.

**254. Thos. Laxton.** A new early wrinkled variety of great merit. The growth is identical with that of the Gradus, but more hardy and more productive; the pods are a deeper, richer green and square at the ends, well filled and considered sweeter and finer in flavor. Ripens three or four days later than the Gradus. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express of freight: pint 35c., quart, 60c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.50, peck \$2.50.

**255. Extra Early Premium Gem.** A very fine extra early dwarf pea; the vines grow from twelve to fifteen inches in height, pods two and one-half inches long. Matures about three days after American Wonder. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express of freight: pint 35c., quart, 60c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.50, peck \$2.50.

**257. American Wonder.** Extremely dwarf, eight to ten inches high. Esteemed for earliness, productiveness, flavor and quality. Nearly as early as Alaska. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express or freight: pint 30c., quart 50c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.30, peck \$2.25.

**258. Prolific Early Market.** This is one of the largest podded and most productive of all smooth-seeded extra early peas. Vines grow about 30 inches in height, and can be gathered in two pickings. The pods are remarkably well filled, and the peas sweet and fine flavored. A most satisfactory prolific early sort, both for the market gardener and the home gardener. Pkt. 10c., lb. 50c., by mail postpaid.

**259. First and Best.** An excellent strain of first early peas; very popular and largely planted throughout the trucking sections. Height two to two and one-half feet. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express or freight: pint 35c., quart 60c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.50, peck \$2.50.

## Second—Early and Late Varieties

**260. Horsford's Market Garden.** An excellent second-early, green wrinkled variety. Very prolific, vines grow two feet high; pods are of medium size and are well filled with peas of finest flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., lb. 40c. By express or freight: pint 35c., quart 60c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.50, peck \$2.50.

**263. Alderman.** A very large-podded, late, wrinkled variety of vigorous growth, about five feet high. Pods four and one-half to five inches long, frequently measuring six inches, of a rich, dark green coloring, containing from eight to nine very large peas of excellent flavor. Pkt. 10c., lb. 40c., postpaid. By express of freight: pint 35c., quart, 60c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.50, peck \$2.50.

**269. French Canner.** Very productive; the pods are long and curved and well filled with good quality peas. Late variety. Largely grown for canning. Pkt. 10c., lb. 30c., by mail postpaid. By express or freight: pint 25c., quart 45c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.25, peck \$2.00.

**264. Telephone.** A tall-growing, late sort, three and a half to four feet in height, having pods of very large size, containing six to seven large peas of delicious flavor. Continues in bearing for a long time. Pkt. 10c., lb. 40c., postpaid. By express or freight: pint 35c., quart 60c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck \$1.50, peck \$2.50.

**267. Improved Sugar Marrow.** Planted principally by our local growers for late crop. Very prolific and produces an abundance of large, well-filled pods. Our stock is genuine. Crop failed.

## Pumpkins

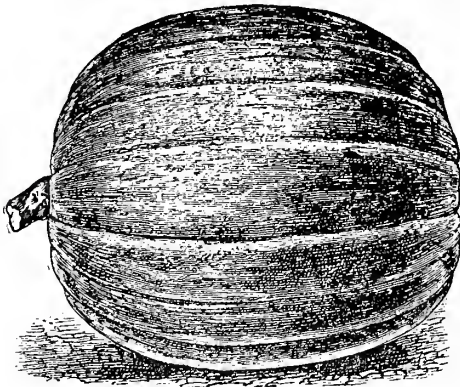
One ounce of seed to 15 hills; 3 to 4 pounds to an acre.

Pumpkins are not so particular in regard to soil as melons or cucumbers, but are cultivated the same, though on a larger scale. They are raised between hills of corn 8 to 10 feet apart or over, or in fields by themselves. Avoid planting them near melons or squash, as they readily mix and injure the quality of both.

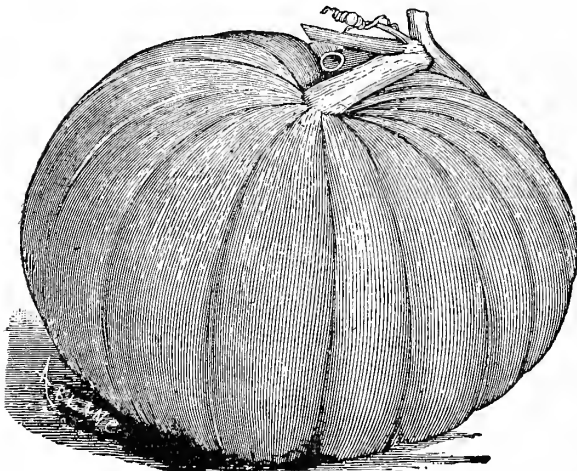
**273. Big Tom or Improved Large Field.** Enormously prolific and grows very large, averaging fifteen to twenty inches in diameter; round or slightly oval in form. Vines of strong, vigorous growth. Smooth, hard, reddish orange skin, slightly ribbed, with rich orange-yellow flesh. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

**278. White Cushaw, or Crookneck.** One of the most popular varieties to grow for pies as well as stock feeding; fruits two feet in length, with long, solidly meaty neck, most frequently curved in form; seeds are located in the lower bulk-like end. Flesh rich, creamy yellow, tender and of exceptionally fine flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**281. Genuine Mammoth, Jumbo or King of Mammoths.** This is the very best genuine strain of the true Mammoth Pumpkin. Fruits grow to enormous size, sometimes reaching two feet or more in diameter and from one hundred to two hundred pounds in weight. Salmon-orange skin; very thick, bright yellow flesh, which is fine grained, tender and of excellent quality for pies. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.



Big Tom Pumpkin



Genuine Mammoth Pumpkin

**277. Japanese Pie.** Crooknecked variety, similar in size and form to the well-known Cushaw, but the skin is a deep green, with dark stripes turning to a rich, golden yellow. Fruits mature early; the large neck is solidly meaty and the seeds are marked with curious indentations, resembling the characters of the Chinese alphabet. Flesh deep yellow, of fine quality. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

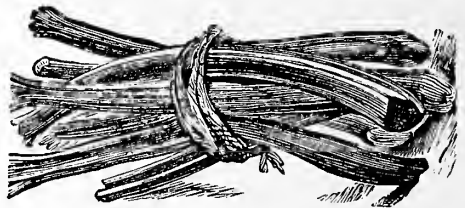
**279. Small Sugar.** Fruits of small size, averaging about ten inches in diameter, of excellent keeping qualities, flattened or slightly ribbed. Skin deep orange yellow, flesh sweet. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

**280. Connecticut Field, or Large Common Yellow.** Very productive. Very largely cultivated by our farmers for stock feeding. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

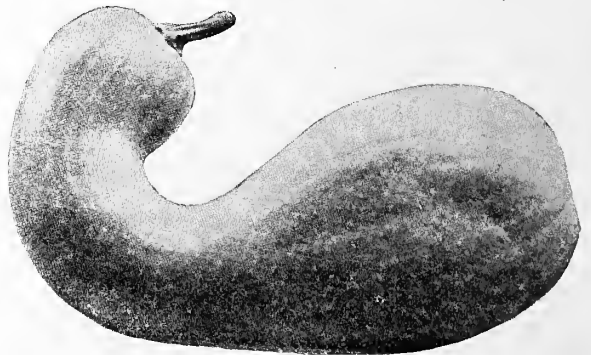
## Rhubarb, or Pie Plant

Fine roots of Rhubarb for setting out can be grown easily from seed in a single season, and this is much the cheapest way to secure a stock of plants. The seed should be sown in a shallow drill, using one ounce to 125 feet of drill. When well started thin to stand ten to twelve inches apart. They should be well cultivated. In the fall or early spring they can be transplanted to the permanent bed, standing three feet apart in the rows and with rows from four to six feet apart. The stalks should not be gathered until plants have a full season's growth.

**282. Myatt's Victoria.** The most popular variety; comes quite true from seed. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.25.



Rhubarb



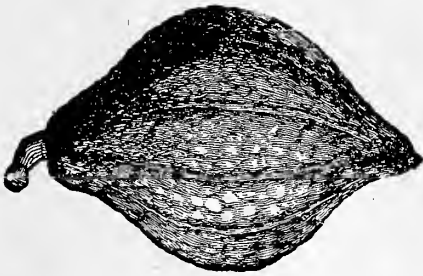
White Cushaw, or Crookneck

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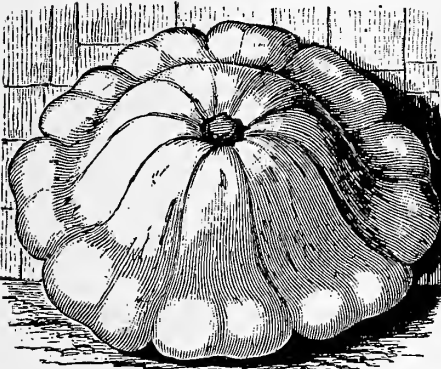
## Squash—Summer Varieties

One ounce of Bush varieties for 40 hills, or of the large seeded winter kinds, for 15 hills; 2 to 3 pounds of the bush sorts, or 4 or 5 pounds of the large seeded winter kinds are needed for 1 acre.



Hubbard Squash

283. Early White Bush Scalloped, or White Patty Pan or Cym-ling. True bush growth, matures early in the summer. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 90c.



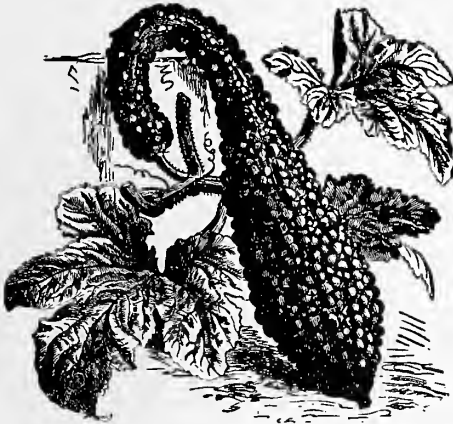
Early White Bush or Patty Pan Squash

285. Golden Summer Crookneck. The squashes are of the popular crookneck type, rich golden yellow, thickly warted. Plants of true bush growth, very early fruiting and productive. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 90c.

## Winter Varieties

290. Improved Hubbard. This is the standard winter squash. Vines of strong running growth; fruits olive shape and large, often weighing nine to fifteen pounds. Skin dark green; flesh sweet and of excellent flavor. A fine keeper. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.25, postpaid.

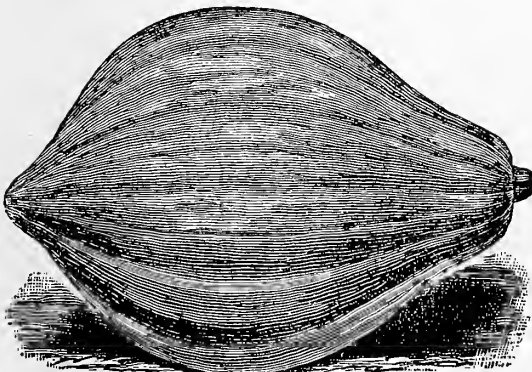
292. Red, or Golden Hubbard. Shell hard and warty, of deep salmon-red color when ripe. Showy and attractive. Excellent quality. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.25, postpaid.



Golden Summer Crookneck Squash

296. Mammoth Chili. A very large variety. Produces fruits of attractive appearance, and under special cultivation will attain very great weight. Flesh very thick, of a rich yellow coloring; fine grained and sweet. The skin is quite smooth, but with broad, open netting and of a rich orange yellow. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40c., lb. \$1.25.

297. Boston Marrow. A most valued variety. Large fruited; hard shelled; bright orange skin; deep orange flesh. Excellent flavor and keeps well. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c., postpaid.



Boston Marrow Squash



Mammoth Chili

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## Choice Radishes

All varieties thrive best in light, sandy loam. For early use, sow in the hotbed in February, giving plenty of ventilation, or outside in the garden, in drills, as soon as the soil is warm and dry, covering the seed about one-half an inch deep. Sow every two weeks from March until September for a succession of crisp radishes for continued use. Radishes must grow rapidly to be crisp, mild flavored and tender. We offer a very fine assortment. One ounce of seed will plant 100 feet of drill; 8 to 10 pounds for an acre.

### Extra Early Turnip-shaped Varieties

**301. Robinson's Earliest Round Red.** Considered the earliest round radish. The radishes are perfectly round; three-quarters of an inch to one inch in diameter, with thin, bright red skin, firm white flesh, crisp and mildly pungent. Leaves short and small. Makes a very attractive appearance when bunched for market. Pkt. 10c., oz. 25c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 65c., lb. \$2.25, postpaid.

**298. Robinson's Earliest Scarlet Button.** This is a very early, small, round, bright red radish. The flesh is pure white, mild, tender and crisp. Ready for use in eighteen days after sowing the seed. Excellent variety for growing under glass or in the open. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**299. Crimson Giant Globe.** A variety combining earliness and great size. It grows much larger than other extra early varieties, but does not become pithy, even when fully twice as large in diameter and a week older. A deep globe in shape; two inches in depth; one and one-half inches in diameter. Skin thin and of deep crimson. The flesh is mild in flavor and of purest white. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**302. Early Scarlet Globe.** While inclined to a slightly oval form, it is of superb quality and such handsome appearance from its brilliantly colored skin that it is most popular. It is an extra fine strain. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 90c.

**304. Scarlet Turnip, White Tip.** A most popular, quick growing variety. Handsome, bright scarlet, with white tip; most attractive and of splendid quality. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c., postpaid.

**305. Early White Turnip.** Both skin and flesh white; crisp and tender. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

### Extra Early Olive-shaped Varieties

**307. French Breakfast.** Of quick growth. Bright carmine color, with clear white in the lower portion. Very mild and tender. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

**309. Scarlet Olive-shaped.** A small, very early olive-shaped radish, of rich, brilliant color. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

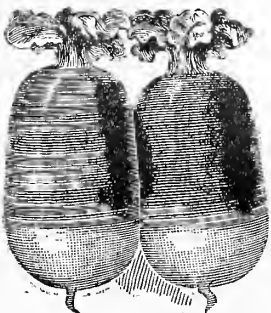
**310. White Olive-shaped.** By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

### RADISH—Early Long Varieties

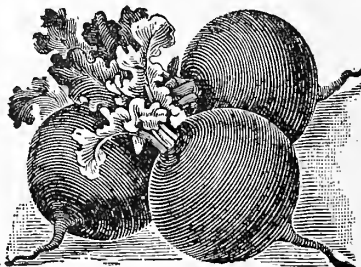
**311. Early Long Scarlet, Short Top.** A favorite quick-growing variety, for both private and market gardens. The long, slender, handsomely colored roots are most attractive in appearance. The average length is five to six inches, growing half out of the ground. Excellent forcing or outdoor sort. Uniform, straight, bright scarlet in color; crisp, brittle and of choicest quality. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

**312. New White Icicle.** This distinct new Radish is the finest and longest of the very early pure white varieties. This Radish is not only crisp and tender when young, but retains these qualities until the roots attain large size, so that it will remain in fine condition longer than any other very early variety. Excellently adapted for forcing purposes or successive sowing in the open ground. Their long, slender form and pure paper white skin are most attractive when bunched for market. If planted in the spring, these Radishes are ready for use in twenty to twenty-five days. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

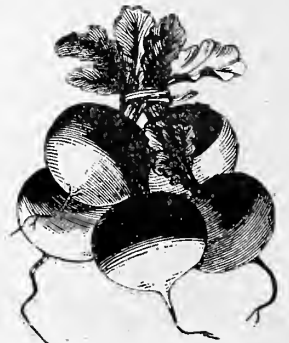
**315. Wood's Early Frame.** This is an extra early strain of the Long Scarlet Short Top, largely used for growing under glass. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.



French Breakfast



Robinson's Earliest Round Red



Scarlet Turnip White Tip

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## Radish—Summer Varieties

These attain a larger size than do any of the earlier radishes and remain in fine condition longer.

**316. Improved Charters, or Shepherd.** A distinct and exceedingly attractive sort; long; crimson, shading into pure waxy white at the tips. Very large and of quick growth. Resembles somewhat the Long Scarlet, but is fully twice as large and considerably later. By mail postpaid: pkt., 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

**320. White Strasburg.** Handsome, tapering shape, solid and of fine quality and large size. Very desirable for summer markets; by successive plantings a supply of fine radishes may be had all summer. By mail postpaid pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

## Winter Varieties

Of these late varieties, the first sowings should not be made until the middle of June. If sown in the spring they would not grow well, and if they did they would be old and tough. Successive sowings may be made until the middle of August, especially of the Chinese varieties.

**322. New White Chinese.** (Celestial.) A large stump rooted radish with white skin and flesh. Best for autumn; of immense size, averaging from twelve to fifteen inches in length and fully five inches in diameter. Grows mostly above the surface, but on account of its abundant foliage is protected from the sun. The flesh is always mild, juicy and crisp. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**323. Chinese Rose, or Winter.** A very fine radish. Skin of a bright, deep rose color; medium size; very solid flesh, crisp and tender. Splendid keeper. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**325. Long Black Spanish.** Grows five to eight inches long, one to one and one-half inches through at the top; skin black; flesh white and firm. One of the oldest and best winter sorts. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**326. Round Black Spanish.** Also a leading sort of the solid winter type. Different from Long Black Spanish in form only. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

## Sorrel

**336. Broad-Leaved.** This is the best variety. Sorrel is cultivated for its leaves, which possess a very fine flavor boiled and served like spinach. The leaves can be gathered at any time after the roots are well started in growth. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 65c., lb. \$2.00, postpaid.

## Salsify, or Oyster Plant

One ounce to 50 feet of drill; 8 pounds to an acre

**329. Sandwich Island Mammoth.** A new and improved type, growing uniformly to an extra large size, averaging fully double to size and weight of roots of the old variety. Of superior quality and delicate in flavor. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 65c., lb. \$2.25.

## Spinach

One ounce to 50 feet of drill; 12 to 16 pounds to an acre

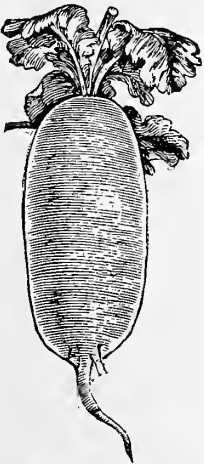
**330. New Victoria.** The foliage is heavy, the broad dark green leaves being of the true savoy appearance and of the finest quality. It remains in prime condition from two to three weeks after nearly all other varieties have run to seed. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c., postpaid.

**331. Long Season.** Plants are comparatively small but very compact. Leaves pointed, heavily crumpled or blistered. Can be marketed in a firm, fresh condition even during the hot summer months. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c., postpaid.

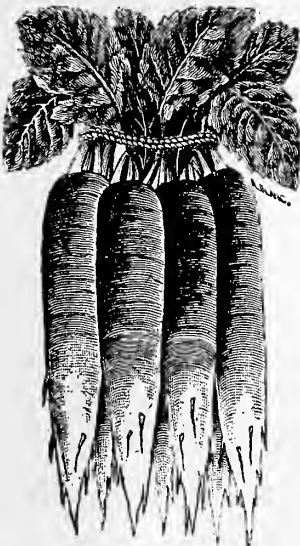
**334. Norfolk Savoy Leaved (Bloomsdale).** The popular fall spinach so largely grown for market. Grows upright, the leaves being crumpled, dark green and very thick. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c., postpaid.



New White Icicle



New White Chinese



Improved Charters

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## Tomato Seed—Best Strains

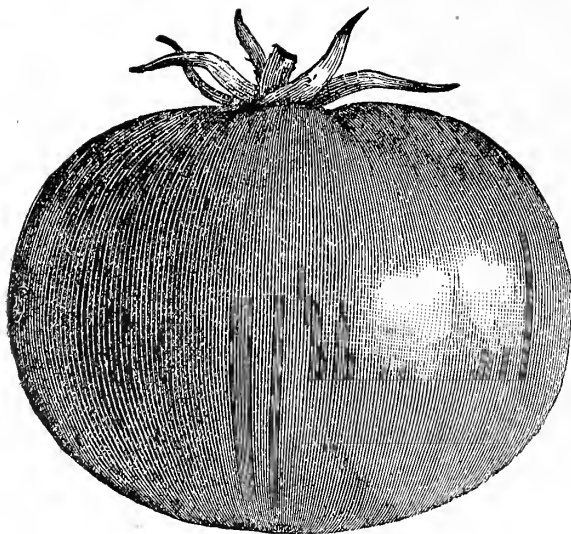
Special Cultural Directions free with your order if you request it.

One ounce of seed will produce about 2000 plants.

**337. Robinson's Earliest Red, Bright Red.** The earliest tomato in cultivation, a week earlier than the Earliana. The whole crop can be marketed before the market is glutted with other and late arrivals. It is beyond a doubt the most profitable early tomato. A vigorous grower, and very prolific. The tomatoes are regular in form and exceptionally smooth. Rounded in shape and deep through. Fruits are born in clusters. A good smooth tomato; first on the market and demanding high prices. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 35c., oz. 60c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$2.00, lb. \$7.00.



Ponderosa



Chalk's Ear'y Jewel

**339. John Baer.** This tomato compares with Bonny Best, and considered by some to be more productive, with heavier foliage and larger fruit. Ripens with the Bonny Best. It is a good all-round tomato, the fruit being smooth, ripening clear to the stem and of a good rich red color. Pkt. 10c., oz. 60c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$2.00, lb. \$7.00, by mail postpaid.

**340. Red Rock.** A good variety, solid, smooth and red. Good cropper and shipper. Excellent canning variety. Pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 85c., lb. \$3.00, by mail postpaid.

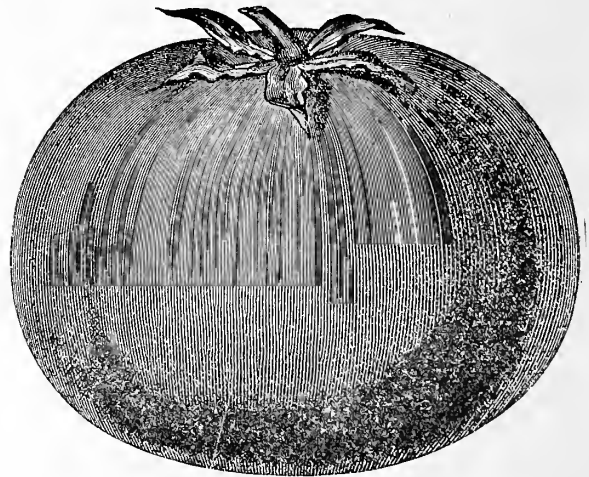
**341. Livingston's Paragon.** It is an immense yielder, medium early. The fruits are of large size and remain so throughout the season. Flesh is solid, of superior quality and fine appearance. Pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 85c., lb. \$3.00, by mail postpaid.

**342. Livingston's Globe.** An excellent, good, all-round sort, of a distinct globe shape, with quite a large percentage of elongated fruits. Purple in color. Ripens early. Fruits are of large size, always smooth, flesh firm and few seeds. Pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 25c., oz. 40c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00, lb. \$3.50.

**343. Stone.** Recognized as one of the best of all standard sorts. It is the largest, bright red, perfectly smooth, highest yielding, best keeping, finest flavored main crop variety in existence. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 85c., lb. \$3.00.

**344. Bonny-Best.** Ripens between the Spark's Earliana and Chalk's Early Jewel. The tomatoes are of medium size, of an intense velvety scarlet color, absolutely smooth and uniform. In form, color, growth of vine and productiveness it is similar to Chalk's Early Jewel, yet the fruits are fully ripe from three to five days earlier; the first picking is sometimes even a week earlier. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 40c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00, lb. \$3.50.

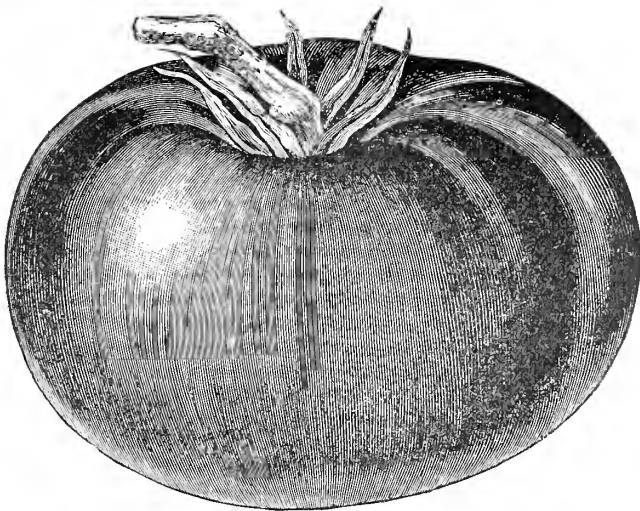
**345. Chalk's Early Jewel.** Of brightest scarlet color, ripening right up to the stem without any cracks or green core. The large, handsome fruits are very solid and deep through, being almost round or ball shape. Choicest seed grown. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c., oz. 40c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.00, lb. \$3.50.



Bonny Best

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The Matchless

### Tomato Seed—Continued

347. **The Matchless.** This great tomato is well named. It is a strong, vigorous grower with thrifty vines which produce large, handsome tomatoes most abundantly throughout the season. The fruits, of a rich cardinal-red, are remarkably solid and smooth, free from core and uniformly of the finest flavor. The tomatoes are always of the largest size; they do not become smaller even late in the season, as the healthy growth of vine and foliage carries magnificent crops until killed by frost. A favorite main crop variety in many sections. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 85c., lb. \$3.00.

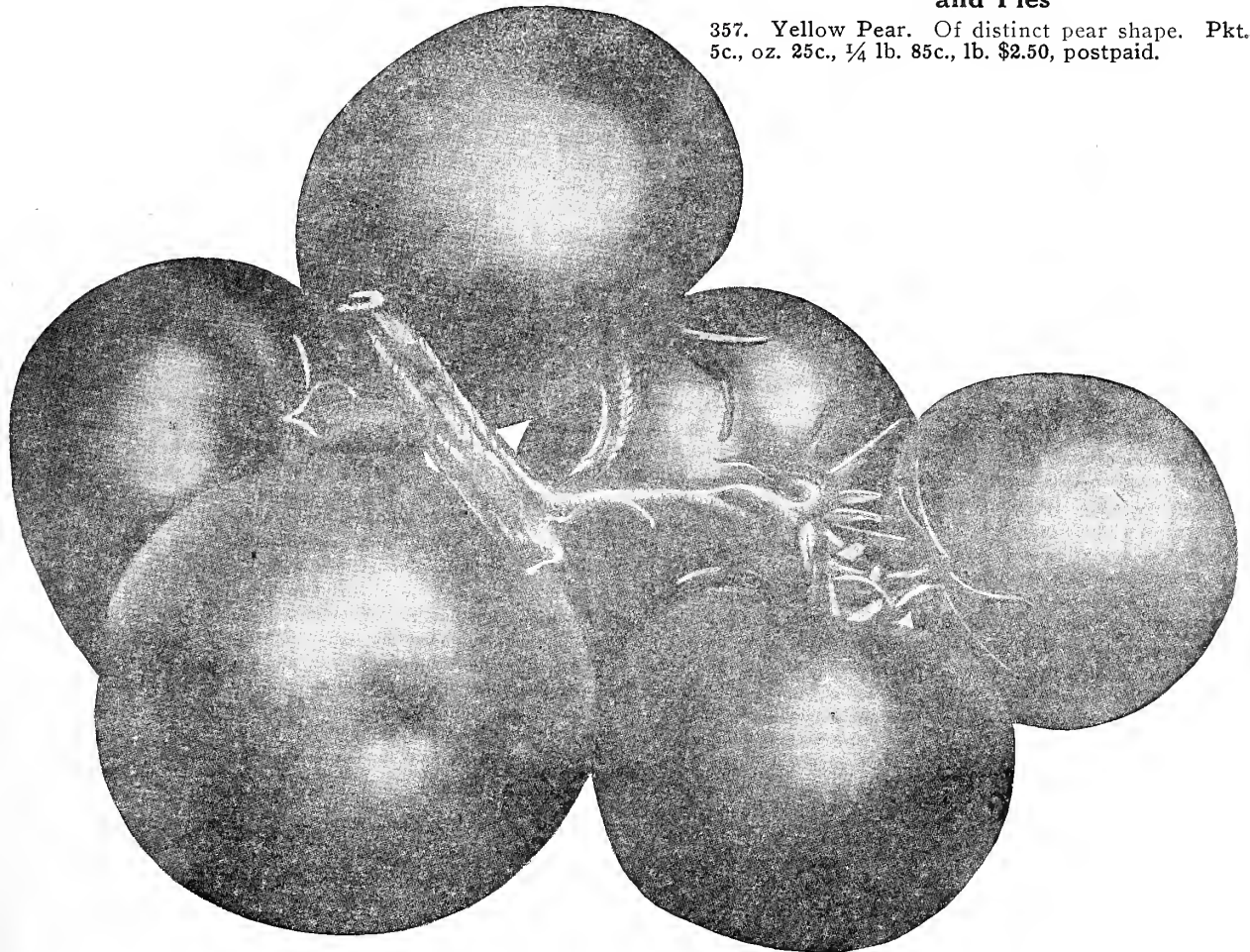
350. **Golden Queen.** A large, smooth, pure yellow tomato. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 30c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 85c., lb. \$3.00.

353. **Ponderosa.** Very large, of fine quality for slicing. The vines are of strong, rather open growth; fruits generally ridged or ribbed; deep purple in color. They are solid, with small seed cells. Fine sweet flavor. Our special strain produces tomatoes smoother in form. By mail postpaid: pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 30c., oz. 50c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. \$1.50, lb. \$5.00.

### Small-Fruited Tomatoes

**Excellent for Preserves, Pickles and Pies**

357. **Yellow Pear.** Of distinct pear shape. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 85c., lb. \$2.50, postpaid.



Robinson's Earliest Red

**Bright Red Earliest Tomato in Cultivation**

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## Garden Turnips

One ounce of seed to 100 feet of drill, one pound to an acre

For Summer use sow early in spring in light, rich or new soil, in drills one and one-half to two feet apart, according to the size of the variety and cover one-half inch deep, or sow broadcast, but in either case be sure to have the ground rich and freshly stirred. Thin early and keep free from weeds. Any overcrowding will result in rough, and poorly flavored roots. It is important to get the spring and summer crops started very early so that the turnips may have time to grow to sufficient size before hot weather causes them to become tough and bitter.

In the Middle and Western States sow for fall and main crop from the middle of June to the first of August and in the manner given for spring sowing. Both Ruta Bagas and Turnips are very easily affected in their form and flavor by soil, climate and mode of culture.

**361. Purple-Top or Red-Top White Globe.** A variety of decided merit. A fine globe shaped turnip, of superior quality, either for the table or stock. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 20c., lb. 60c.

**363. Extra Early Purple-Top Milan.** The earliest in cultivation. Beautiful purple top. Mild and sweet. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

**364. Extra Early White Milan.** The earliest flat white turnip. Pure white skin and flesh. Extra fine. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 60c., lb. \$2.00.

**366. White Globe or Pomeranian.** Large white variety, used largely for stock feeding. Is globe-shaped; large leaves; hardy. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 30c., lb. \$1.00.

**367. White Egg.** An egg-shaped, early variety. Thin white skin, mild and sweet; fine table quality. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 90c.

**368. Long White or Cow Horn.** Pure white except at top. Long in form. Rapid grower. Very sweet. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

**370. Yellow Aberdeen.** A turnip of high merit. The flesh is yellow, tender and sugary and very solid. Productive, hardy and a good keeper. Grown for both table use and stock feeding. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. 75c.

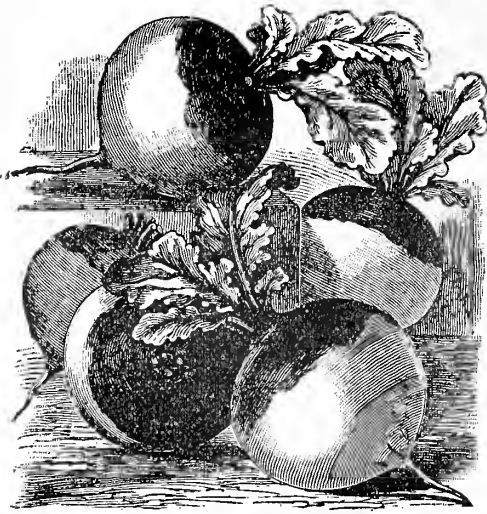
**371. Yellow Globe.** This is a yellow fleshed turnip, very largely grown for stock feeding. It attains a large size and is an excellent winter keeper. It is fine grained and makes an excellent table turnip as well. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 25c., lb. \$1.00, by mail postpaid.

## Ruta Bagas

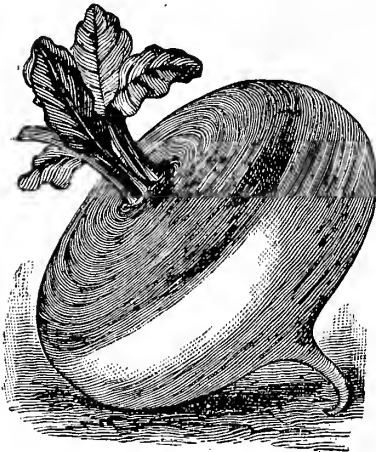
(Swedish or Russian Turnips)

They require a longer season in which to grow than do the Garden Turnips; the flesh is more solid and richer in flavor, and they will keep in a fine condition more readily during the winter months. Grown for the table and for stock feeding. Culture—same as turnips.

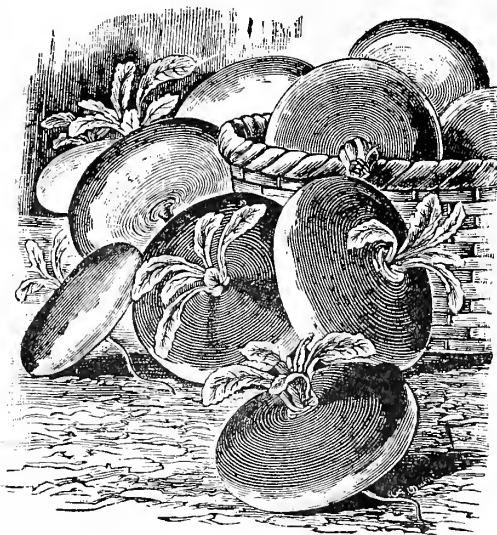
**374. Improved Purple Top Yellow.** A fine strain. Very hardy and productive; flesh yellow, sweet and solid; good for stock or table use. By mail postpaid: pkt. 5c., oz. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 15c., lb. 50c.



Purple or Red Top White Globe



Yellow Aberdeen Purple Top



Extra Early Purple-Top Milan

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We exercise special care in the selection of our FLOWER SEEDS, and take great pride in being able to furnish SEEDS that will produce the most satisfactory results. Our stock of seeds is of the highest possible quality, and will delight the most critical flower lovers.

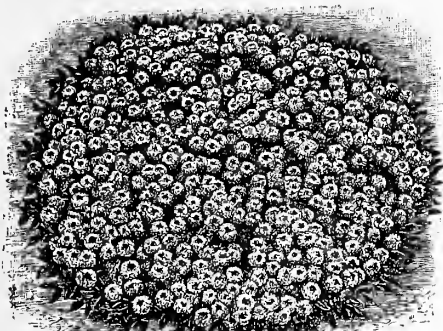
Annuals are those flowers that bloom and ripen their seed the first year, then die. Among these are Asters, Balsams, Sweet Peas, Nasturtiums, Morning Glories and many other very brilliant and fragrant sorts.

Perennials are those that endure our Northern winters with little or no protection and live and bloom several years in succession. A large majority of the Perennials will bloom the first year if started early in the spring. Hollyhocks, Larkspurs, Foxglove, Poppies, etc., are in this popular class.

### Alyssum

An annual plant of easiest culture, and its fragrant flowers are produced all summer.

505. Sweet Alyssum. The well-known fragrant white. Pkt. 5c., oz. 45c.



Alyssum Little Gem

506. Little Gem. Very dwarf and spreading; only 3 or 4 inches in height. Each plant covers a circular space of twelve to twenty inches and soon becomes one mass of white, remaining in full bloom from spring to fall. Pkt. 10c.

### Asparagus Sprengeri

507. Highly praised everywhere. Of drooping growth. Pkt. 10c.

### Superb Asters (Annual)

Special Cultural Directions free with your order if you request it.

Simple's Branching. This is a magnificent new American strain, producing handsome double flowers on long stems. Plants are of strong growth, from two to three feet in height and branch freely. We offer the following colors:

512. White. 513. Crimson. 514. Simple's Branching; all colors mixed. All the above: Per pkt. 10c., ¼ oz. 55c.

### Superb Asters (Annual)

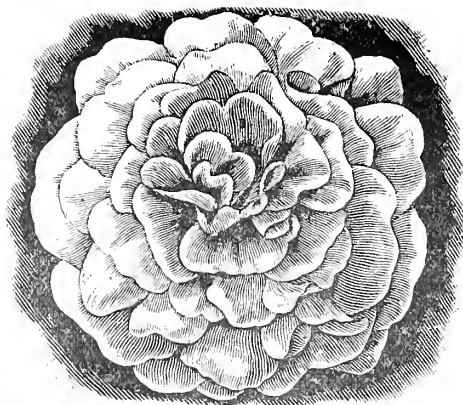
Special Cultural Directions free with your order if you request it.

Comet Asters. This is one of the most distinct and improved type of Asters as well as being of the earliest period of bloom. Plants grow 12 to 15 inches in height, branching freely, and each stem terminates in a fine double flower. The outer petals are broad, flat, and reflexed (curving outward), while the center of the flower is composed of many short petals, slightly pointed. The whole flower has a distinctly feathery effect, resembling that of fine Japanese Chrysanthemums.

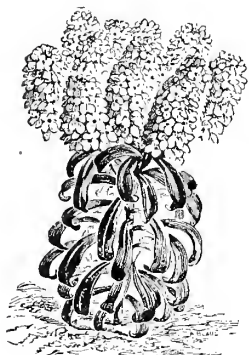
508. Pure White. 509. Dark Blue. 510. Dark Rose. 511. Comet Asters in Mixture. All the above: Per Pkt. 10c., ½ oz. \$1.00.



Comet Asters



Balsam



Candytuft



Carnations

### Cosmos (Annual)

Annual, of quick growth, large bushes, five feet high. From September until November each plant is covered with hundreds of showy flowers. Easily raised. We offer

523. Giant Pink. 524. Finest Mixed (all "giant flowered"). Each, pkt., 5c.

### Defiance Balsams (Annual)

These are distinctly Camellia-flowered, the flowers being of the largest size, double and full centered, with the broad petals finely reflexed (curved outward) as in the Camellia Japonica. The individual flowers frequently measure two and one-half inches across. The plants form symmetrical, well-branched, erect bushes; the branches being almost covered with the magnificent double flowers. We offer

515. Pure Pink. 516. Pure White. 517. Defiance Mixed. All the above: Per pkt. 10c.

518. Balsam, Good Mixed. Fine strain, large double flowers. Pkt. 5c.

### Candytuft

Among the most useful of perfectly hardy annuals. Plants bear neat clusters of flowers very freely.

519. Tom Thumb. White, very dwarf. Pkt. 5c.

520. Dark Crimson. Pkt. 5c. 521. Mixed. Pkt. 5c.

### Marguerite Carnations

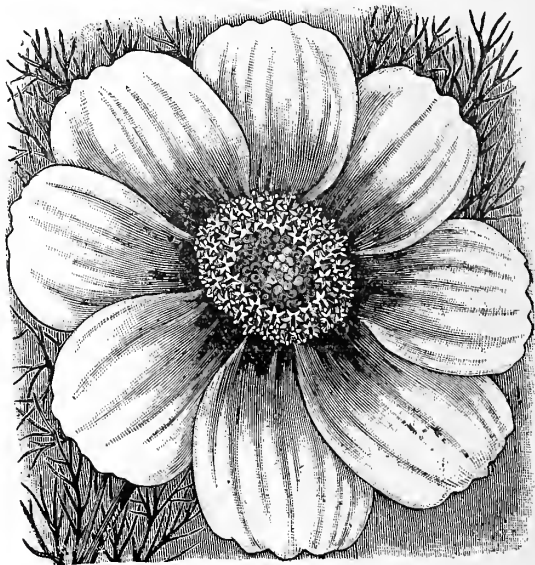
A magnificent class of carnations (perennials). They are without exception the most abundant bloomers of all "Pinks." Seeds sown in open ground in May or June will produce plants to flower freely the next season.

522. All Colors, Mixed. Pkt. 10c.

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Miss Minnie Lewis, of Shenandoah, Va., writes January, 1916:

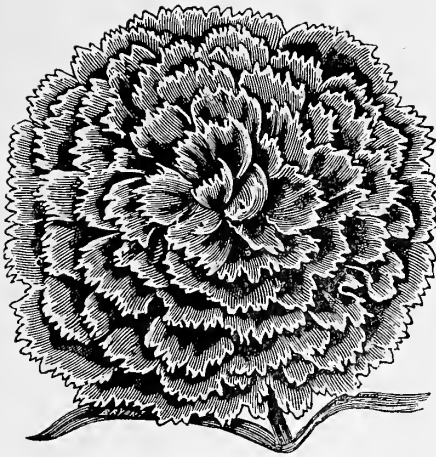
The flower seed I received from you last spring were certainly fine and I believe every seed came up. The Cosmos and Phlox could not be excelled. They surpassed any I have ever sown, both in variety and beauty, and were a source of pleasure to me.



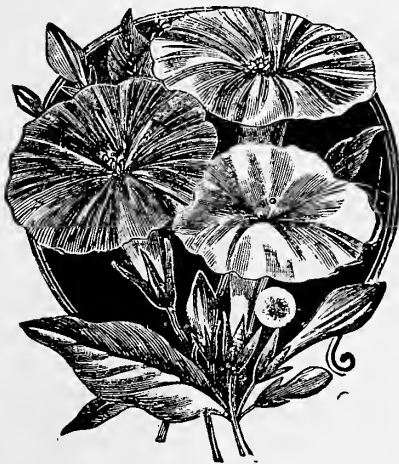
Cosmos

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Dianthus, Mourning Cloak



Four O'Clock



Heliotrope

## Dianthus (Pinks)

### Hardy Annuals

Few flowers can equal these in beauty and profusion of bloom. They comprise many beautifully marked varieties of rich and varied colors. The plants bloom all summer and fall until frost.

- 525. Mourning Cloak. Large double, dark mahogany, white edge. Pkt. 5c.
- 526. Dwarf Fireball. Double crimson. Pkt. 5c.
- 527. Dwarf Snowball. Finely fringed double snow white. Pkt. 5c.

## Dahlias

Half-hardy perennials. Both Double and Single Dahlias can be grown easily from seed, and flower beautifully the first season.

- 528. Large-Flowered Double. Mixed pkt. 5c.
- 529. New Striped Single. Pkt. 5c.

## Four O'Clock

A brilliant and showy annual. Planted in beds or masses, they present a gorgeous sight during the afternoon.

- 530. Mixed. Marvel-of-Peru. Pkt. 5c., oz. 15c.
- 531. Tom Thumb. Mixed. Compact, dwarf, bushy plants, with golden variegated foliage and numerous brilliant flowers—yellow, deep red and striped and blotched. Pkt. 5c.

## Gourds

Annual. A large and interesting class, producing a great variety of curious fruits, many of which are peculiarly marked. Per pkt.

- 532. Lemon. Yellow fruits..... 5c.
- 533. Orange. The well-known Mock Orange..... 5c.
- 534. Fine-Mixed ..... 5c.

## Heliotrope

A well-known and popular annual plant. The trusses measure from ten to fifteen inches. Their fragrance is most delicious and powerful. The colors are from pure white through all shades of violet and blue to deep indigo. Of very easy culture.

- 535. Choice Mixed. Per pkt. 10c.

## Double Hollyhocks

### Hardy Perennial.

Very double and fine. Our stock will please the most critical, and will prove a revelation to many unacquainted with their remarkable perfection. Flowers measure from three to four inches across, and are all of the brightest colors.

- 536. Fine Double Mixed. Pkt. 5c.
- 537. Double Pure White. 538. Double Scarlet. 539. Double Yellow. Choicest seed of these best colors separately at 10c. per pkt.



Hyacinth Bean (Dolichos)

### Hyacinth Bean (Dolichos)

Tender annual. Splendid climber of rapid growth.

540. "Darkness." Numerous long spikes of pea-like flowers, deep reddish violet followed by beautiful seed pods; blooms early and freely. Pkt. 5c.

### Ice Plant

541. Fine for vases, hanging baskets or rockeries. Pkt. 5c.

### Larkspur (Hardy Annual)

Hardy annuals, of great beauty, and noted for the richness of their colors.

542. Double Dwarf Rocket. Finest mixed. Pkt. 5c.

543. Tall Rocket. Double mixed. Pkt. 5c.

### Marigold

A beautiful, well known garden favorite of quick growth and very free flowering habit. For large gardens, mixed borders and general effect, this plant may be used with the greatest freedom. Half Hardy Annual.

African or Tall Marigold. Plants grow two and one-half feet high, produce large double flowers two and a half to three inches in diameter, of glowing colors, in great profusion.

544. African Double. Mixed. Per pkt. 5c.



Marigold

### Dwarf Morning Glories

Plants of low spreading growth, ten to twelve inches high and two feet across, bearing a profusion of bell shaped flowers, one inch and a half in diameter. They remain open much later in the day than the tall varieties.

545. Mixed. Per pkt. 5c.

### Tall Morning Glories

546. Imperial Japanese. The flowers are of greatly increased size and most distinct colorings, while the foliage is also wonderfully varied and attractive. Our choice mixed strain embraces nearly thirty distinct shades and colorings. Choice Mixed. Pkt. 5c.

### Moonflower

547. The vines are almost covered with thousands of immense white flowers, many measuring six inches across. Pkt. 5c.

### Mignonette

Highly esteemed for its delicate fragrance. It grows most rapidly and produces the largest and finest spikes of blossoms during cool moist weather of early spring and late fall months. A second planting should be made about the first of August to furnish fine spikes of flowers during the cool fall months.

548. Finest-mixed. Pkt. 5c.



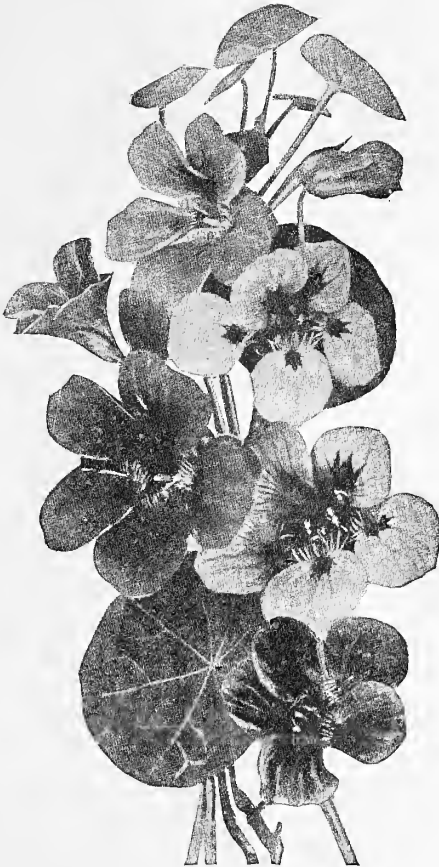
NIGELLA (Love in a Mist)

### Nigella (Love-in-a-Mist)

549. Hardy Annual. A dwarf variety, with perfectly double blossoms, blue and white. Finely cut leaves. Showy in foliage, flowers and seed-pods. Double Mixed. Per pkt. 5c.



## Tall or Trailing Nasturtiums



Nasturtiums

550. **Butterfly.** Color, light lemon yellow, marked on lower petals with a blotch of rich red; upper petals marked in shades of brighter red. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.

551. **Dark Crimson.** Deep velvety red, brownish crimson. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.

552. **Midnight.** Foliage dark green, flowers deep brown red. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.

553. **Rose.** Bright Soft Rose. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.

554. **Mixed Tall.** Of many brilliant colors. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c.

## Dwarf Nasturtiums

These are of dwarf compact, rounded growth. As with all Nasturtiums, they succeed best on light, well-drained soils or in slightly raised beds.

555. **Superb Mixture.** Composed of choice, large-flowered sorts. Pkt. 5c., oz. 35c.

556. **Beauty.** Orange, with suffused scarlet markings. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.

557. **Brilliant Yellow.** Clear, bright yellow. Pkt. 5c., oz. 35c.

558. **King of Tom Thumbs.** Glowing scarlet flowers. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.

## Oxalis

Half hardy perennials, with richly-colored flowers suitable for rock and rustic work, hanging baskets and edging for flower beds. Blooms from June until frost.

559. **Choice Mixed.** Many bright colors. Pkt. 5c.

## Pansies—Bedding Varieties

Cultural Directions free with your order if you request it.

These lovely flowers are favorites with all, not only for the brilliancy and variety of their colors, but for the durability of their bloom. They bloom most freely and produce largest flowers in cool, moist locations, or during early spring and late fall months. They flower profusely, however, even during the summer, from seed sown in the open ground early in spring. Seed germinate best while the soil is still cool and moist.

560. **Quadricolored.** Upper petals sky-blue, edged with violet; the lower petals are marbled. Pkt. 5c.

561. **Snow Queen.** Pure white. Pkt. 5c.

562. **Pure Yellow.** Pkt. 5c.

563. **Mixed.** Pkt. 5c., 1/4 oz. 40c.

## Large Flowering "Imperial German Pansies"

While not "giant-flowered" these are uniformly large flowering of the finest form, in charming shades and wonderful variety of colors. Of neat, compact growth (not straggling), the plants bloom most profusely, and continue to flower freely throughout the summer.

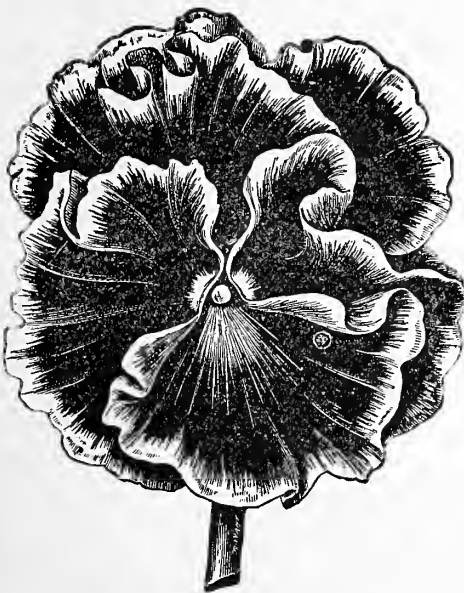
564. **Deep Yellow.** Clear, spotless yellow. Very charming. Pkt. 10c.

565. **Fancy Striped.** Large flowers. Pkt. 10c.

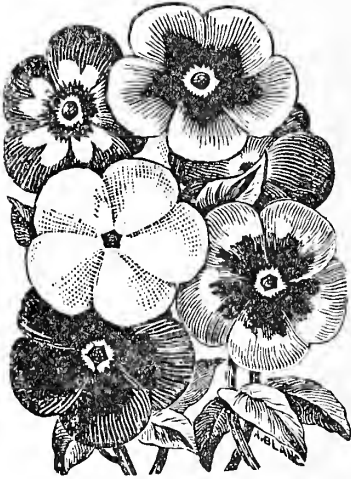
567. **Superb mixed.** Large flowers, very fine. Pkt. 10c.

## Giant-Flowered Pansies

566. **"Masterpiece" Giant Ruffled.** The truly giant-sized flowers are of the most striking character, the petals having a rich, velvety substance and being heavily ruffled give the effect of a double flower. The colors are mainly dark, rich shades, bordered, blotched or marked in ray-like veinings with contrasting colors. Pkt. 15c.



"Masterpiece" or Ruffled Pansy



Phlox

## Phlox

Remarkable for the brilliancy and abundance of their large terminal flowers, which completely hide the foliage. Of quick growth, coming into bloom early. Hardy annual.

568. Fine Mixed. 569. Pure White. 570. Starred and Fringed. All of above, 5c. per pkt.

571. Finest Mixed. New dwarf of many colors. Pkt. 10c.

## Petunias

Petunias are unsurpassed, if indeed equalled, for massing in beds. Their richness of color, duration of bloom and easy culture will always render them welcome and popular. They will do well sown in the open border in spring, or earlier in pot or box indoors, or in hotbed, and transplanted eighteen inches apart. By the latter process they will come into bloom much earlier, though they will do perfectly well sown in open ground. Tender perennial.

573. Hybrida, Striped, Mixed. Pkt. 5c.

574. Dwarf Brilliant Rose. Covered with small flowers. Pkt. 5c.

## Poppies (Hardy Annual)

Hardy annuals of quick growth and producing a wealth of the most gorgeous blooms. Seed should be sown early. When well started, plants should be thinned out to stand six to eight inches apart.

575. Shirley Poppies. 576. Snowdrift. 577. Tulip Poppy.

Each of above 5c. per pkt.

## Perennial Poppies

Plants of strong growth. Early the second spring from sowing, they throw up flower-like spikes three feet or more in height, surmounted by single flowers of immense size and richest, glowing color.

578. Choicest Mixed. Pkt. 5c.

579. Orientale. The darkest red; magnificent. Pkt. 5c.

## Portulaca (or Mexican Roses)

There is scarcely any flower in cultivation that makes such a dazzling display of beauty as a bed of many-hued, highly-colored Portulacas. The plants will thrive in almost any situation, but will bloom more profusely in a sunny location and in light, sandy soil.

580. Single Orange. 581. Single Red.

582. Finest Single Mixed.

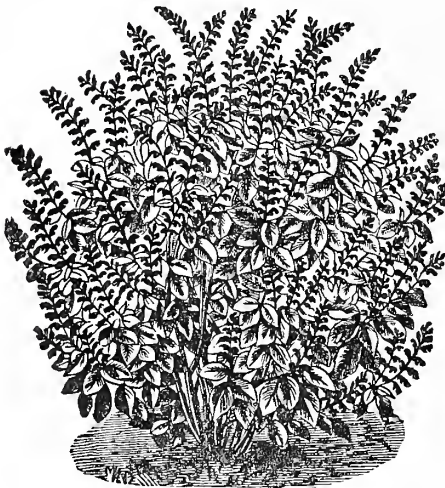
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572. Double Rose-flowered. Mixed. More than half of the plants will produce double flowers, the others can be pulled out as soon as they bloom, thus making a bed of double flowers. Pkt. 10c.

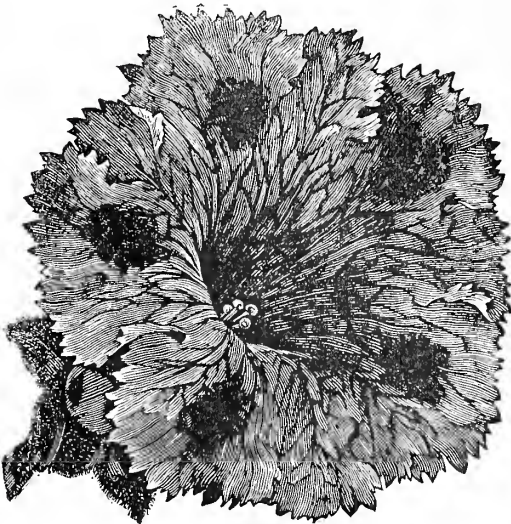
## Salvia (Scarlet Sage)

There are not many plants so attractive as these Flowering Sages. The plants are most easily grown from seed, and these seedlings bloom abundantly all summer and fall. To have plants bloom early in summer seed should be planted in March in boxes of light rich soil in a warm, sunny window.

610. Splendens. (Large-flowering Scarlet Sage.) Under our hot summer sun this "flame-colored beauty" is the most gorgeous of all plants. For months the blaze of flaming scarlet is intensely brilliant. A single plant will carry as many as two hundred spikes of flowers, each ten inches long. Pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 75c.



Salvia Splendens (Scarlet Sage)



Petunia

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## 583 Improved Giant Flowered, Mixed Sweet Peas

This is a mixture of the finest large flowered Sweet Peas in existence, and is unequalled; it is the finest mixture possible to make. These seeds are not grown in mixture, but separately, and are mixed in the proper proportions to produce the most brilliant and pleasing effect. We have included in this mixture only the choicest and most beautiful varieties of true Spencer type. Pkt. 10c.

584. Choice Mixed. This is grown in mixture of many old and new varieties. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.

585. Fancy Flaked. This mixture includes new varieties and all the most showy striped and mottled Sweet Peas of the grandiflora type. Pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.

## Named Sweet Peas

Arranged According to Colors.

Only those are included in our collection which produce flowers of the finest form and largest size.

Prices of any of the following sorts: Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c. by mail postpaid. Unless otherwise quoted.

586. Earliest White. Pure white. Blooms in forty-five days. Pkt. 10c., oz. 35c.

587. Apple Blossom. Heavily shaded and edged with deep pink and soft rose on silvery white.

588. Earliest of All. Pink and white; very early.

## Superb Sweet Peas of the "Spencer Type"

The Spencer type, with its beautiful wavy and crinkled petals, is undoubtedly the Sweet Pea of the future, and both European and American expert growers are constantly increasing and perfecting new varieties. The true Spencers are shy seeders, and, as with all new varieties, in order to get best results, stock seed is saved from plants of finest types only, and must be hand-picked. Thus the price is far beyond that of the ordinary Sweet Pea. We have listed only the most important sorts, which are sure to please.

593. Countess Spencer. (True.) The coloring is a soft rose pink, deepening at the outer edges. Large wavy petals. Vigorous grower. Pkt. 10c., oz. 40c.

589. Bolton's Pink. Large flowers. Rich salmon-pink.

590. Navy Blue. Deep violet-blue.

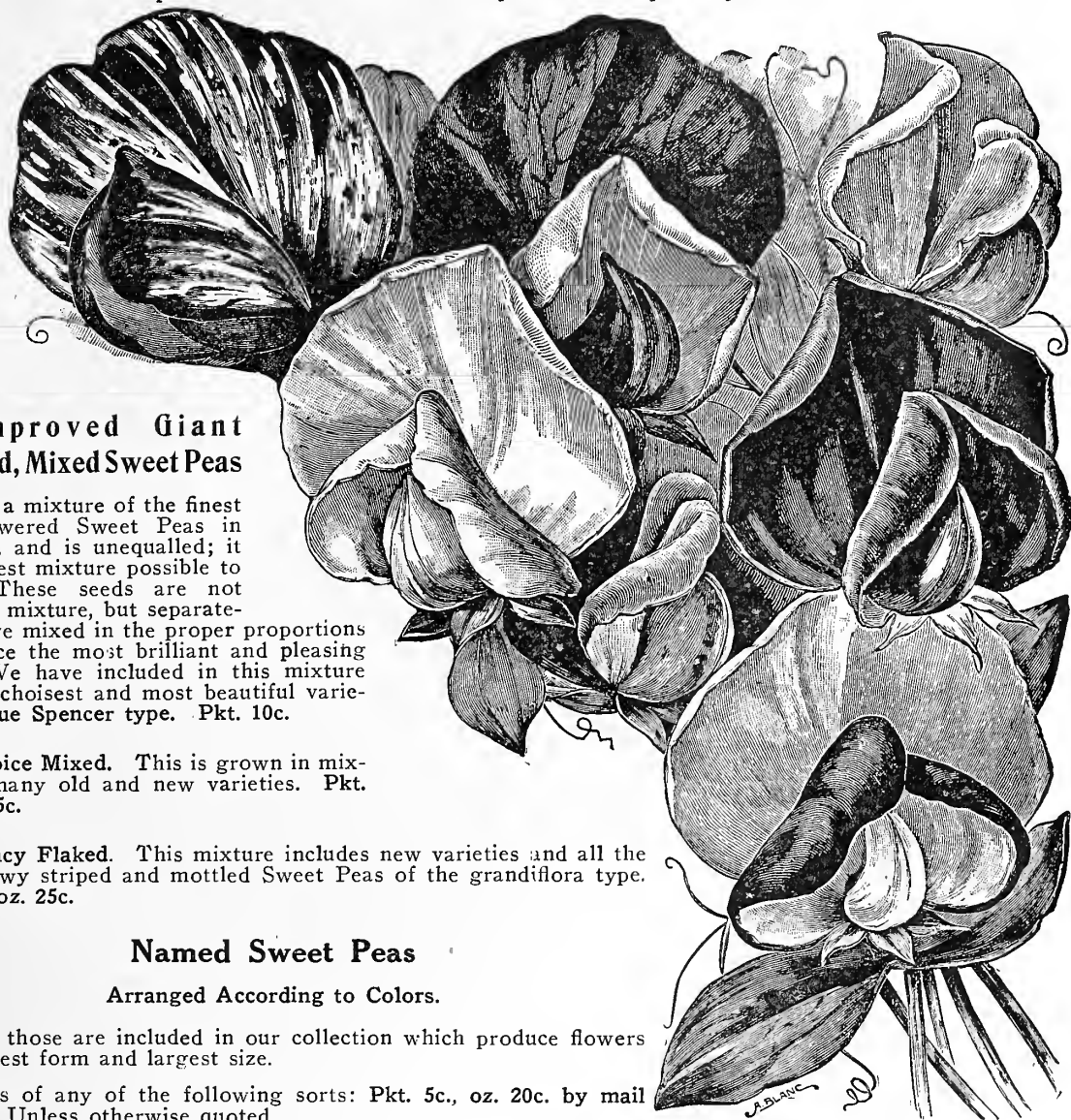
591. Black Knight. Deep-maroon; self colored.

592. America. Brightest blood-red striped on silvery-white ground.

594. Waverly Spencer. The standard is purplish maroon, the wings bluish purple, showing veins of rosy purple. Flowers are of large size and always well waved. Pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 40c.

595. White Spencer. As now "Re-selected" this is the largest and most beautiful of all white Sweet Peas. Pkt. 10c., oz. 40c.

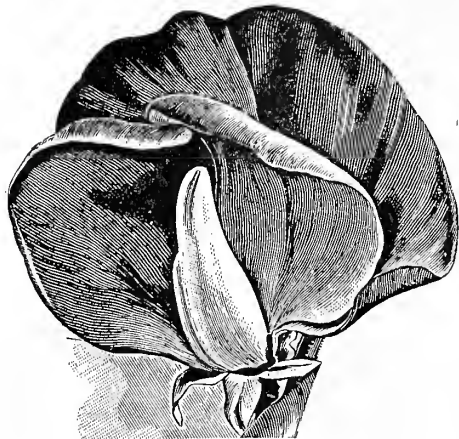
596. Apple Blossom Spencer. Rose and pink, waved. Our re-selected strain comes true. Pkt. 10c.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 40c.





## Dwarf Cupid Sweet Peas

Plants are seldom more than six inches in height, and form a dense mat of richest green foliage 15 inches or more in diameter. The flowers are fully equal in size to those of the tall growing varieties, but are placed closely together, generally 3 or 4 at the top of a short, stiff stem. By reason of their close, dense growth, these Cupid varieties have not always proved so successful when planted where the tall varieties grow most luxuriantly; the close growth of foliage does not dry out so quickly after heavy rains. For light, dry soils, however, where the tall sorts quickly dry up, or are injured by blight and insects, Cupid Sweet Peas give the greatest satisfaction.



Sweet Peas

597. **Pink Cupid.** Standard bright rosy pink, wings white tinted with rose.

598. **White Cupid.** Pure white flowers.

599. **Finest Mixed.** More than forty colors blended in suitable proportions.

Either of the above: Per pkt. 5c., oz. 25c.

## Sweet William

Hardy perennial. For display in the garden the Sweet William ranks among the best. These make matchless border plants, with heads of bloom of great size and wonderful beauty. Height 1½ feet.

600. **Perfection Single Mixed.** A splendid strain; flowers of many bright colors, large size and varied markings, including auricula-eyed varieties. Pkt. 5c.

601. **Double Mixed.** Fine double flowers, which, however, are not considered by some so beautiful as the single. Pkt. 5c.



Sweet William

## Sweet Rocket

602. **Mixed.** The plants grow two feet in height, with dark green foliage, and are surmounted by large panicles of brightly colored flowers. Pkt. 5c.

## Sweet Sultan

603. **Finest Mixed.** Stiffly erect plants, slightly resembling the thistle in growth, with full double, rich yellow, pure white and mauve flowers. The small petals are finely fringed and flowers are of delicate fragrance. Of easiest culture, blooming profusely in cool locations. Pkt. 5c.

## Smilax

604. (*Myrsiphyllum asparagoides*.) The popular Boston Smilax is the most desirable window vine on account of its charming, glossy green, elegant and graceful foliage, while for florists' use it is as essential as roses. Pkt. 5c.

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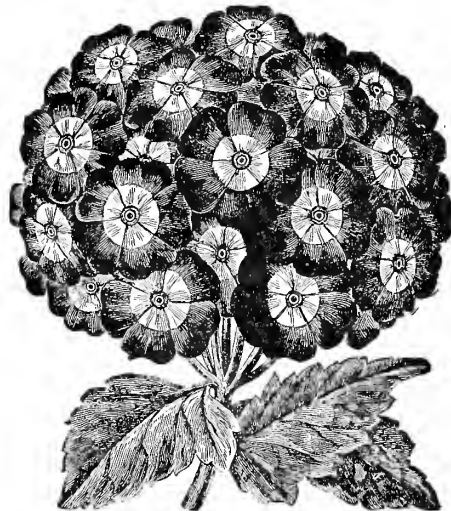
Hardy annuals. The stock has for many years been a general favorite. Very desirable for pot plants, as well as in the open garden. Greatly prized for cut flowers on account of their fragrance and colors.

605. All colors mixed. Pkt. 5c.

## Verbena

Free flowering, tender perennial of low spreading growth. Single plants in rich soil will cover a space of three to four feet in diameter and furnish a profusion of flowers. If the flowers are kept cut, the plants will bloom much more freely. Plants grown from seed are not only cheaper than those grown from cuttings, but are more vigorous.

606. Pure White. 607. Blue, with White eye. 608. Mixed. Each, per pkt., 5c.



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